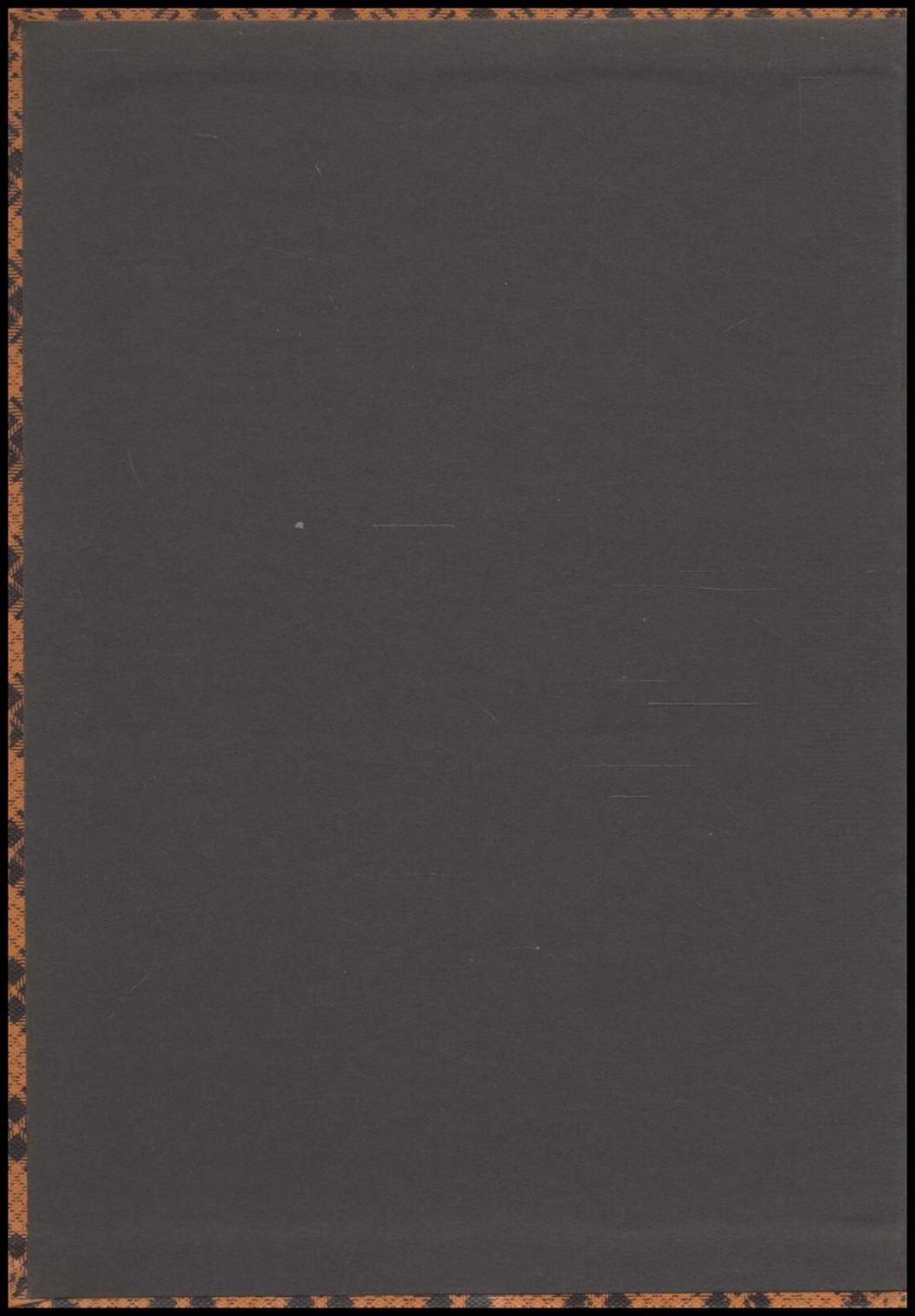
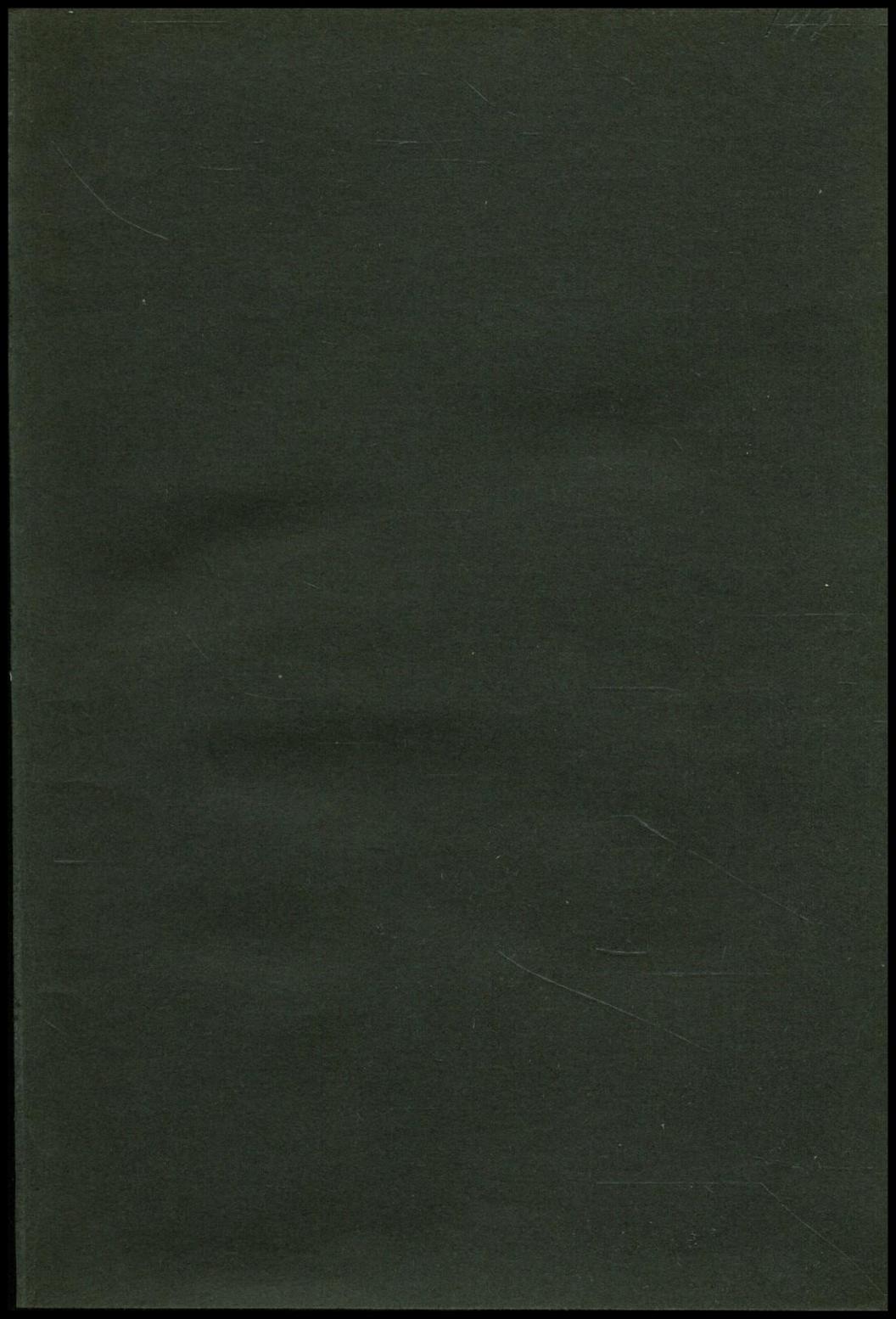
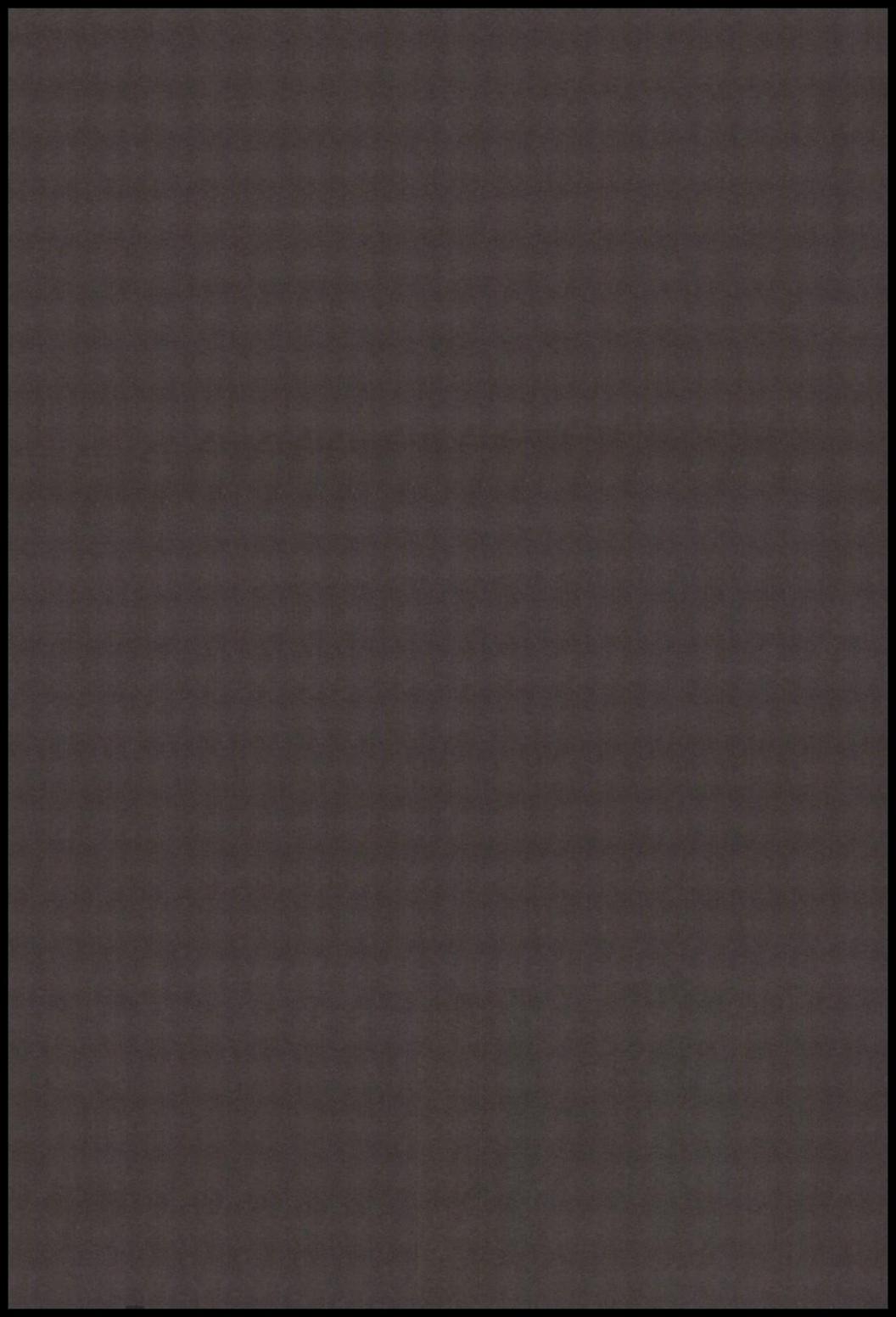


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TURGENSIAN

of 1940

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senior class

central high

sturgis, mich.



LEFT TO RIGHT: C. DeHaven, F. Stratton, M. Peck, C. E. Brown, R. Snow.

To Our Sponsors We Dedicate this Sturgensian

The Senior Class of 1940 wishes to dedicate this annual to their sponsors in appreciation of the guidance and advice so willingly given.

These patient advisors helped us make the really "important" decisions of our school career such as, whether the J-Hop decorations would be an igloo or a flower garden. (By the way, it wasn't either.) Another was our trip.

Mr. Brown has been an ardent sport fan and as one of our advisors has supported the Seniors faithfully.

Mr. DeHaven is the head sponsor of the class and has acted as chief organizer.

Miss Stratton has been a great help and has contributed many good ideas. She has devoted much of her time to chaperoning our parties and has shivered along with the rest of us in the hot-dog stand during the football season.

Mr. Volpel was a very cooperative sponsor whom we called on every time a problem arose which needed special attention. The class was indeed sorry to lose him to Alma College. His place has been ably filled by Mr. Snow, who has taken an active interest in our class.

Our other advisor is Mr. Peck. He has demonstrated his interest in each of us as individuals while at the same time he devotes much time to reading, writing, and the study of law.



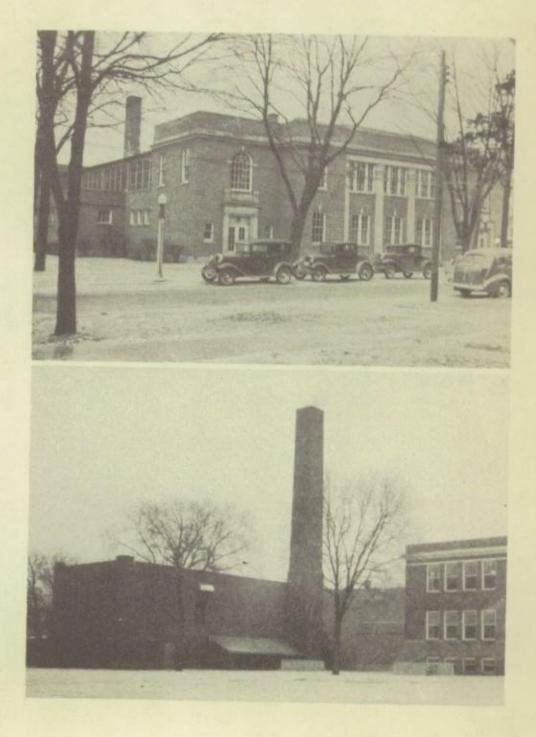
Front view of our Alma Mater.

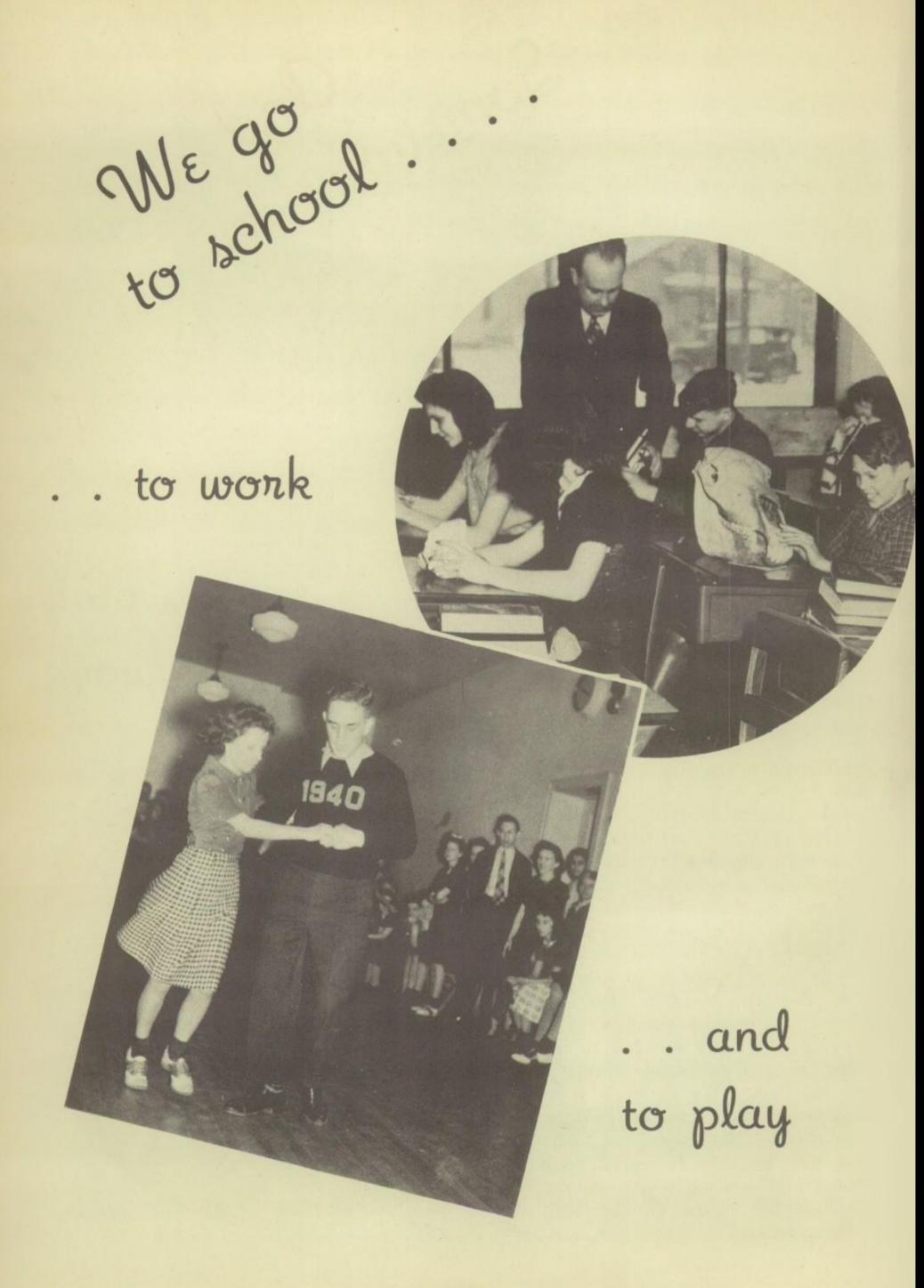
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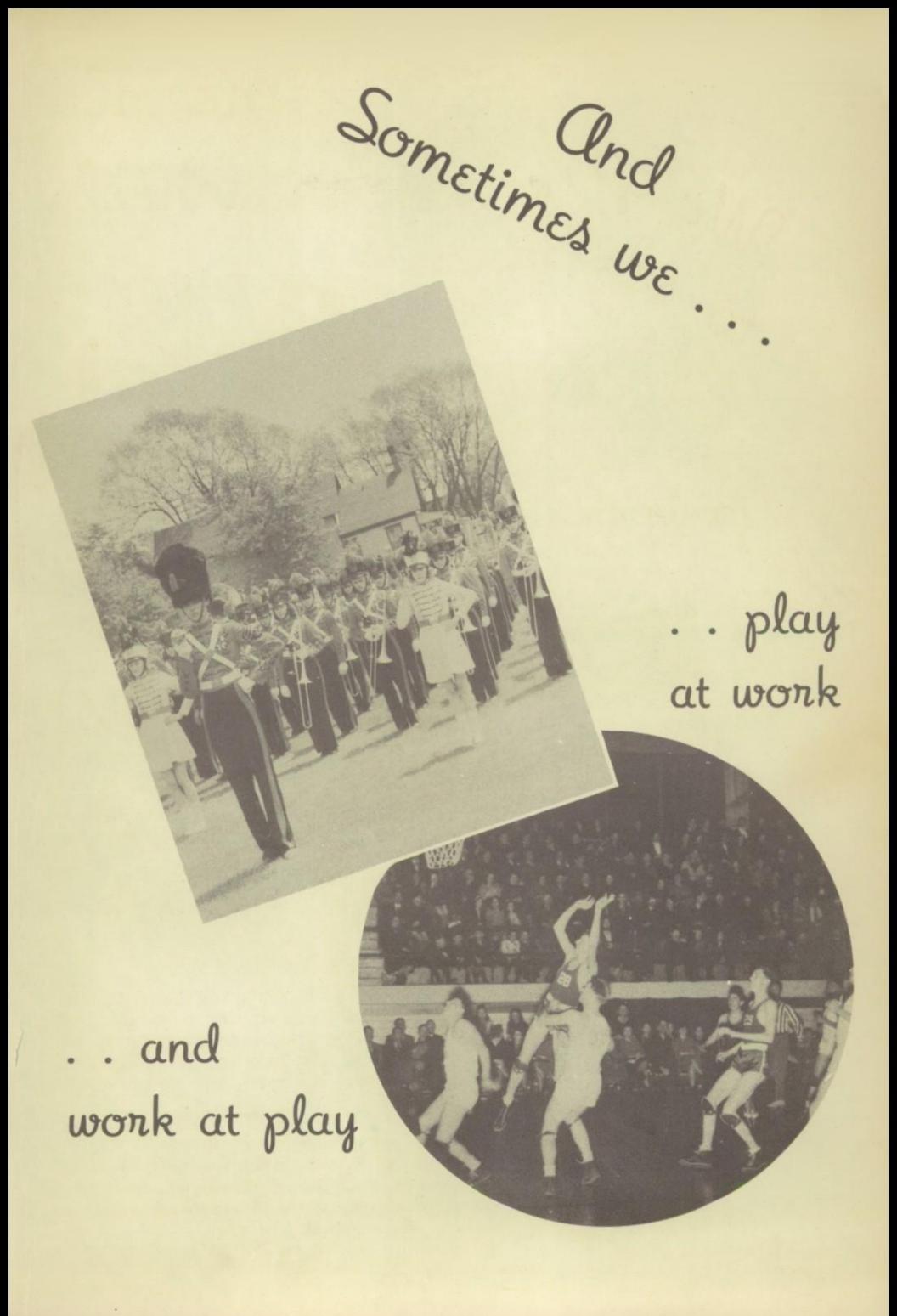
Listen, and we'll tell you. members of the 1940 Sturgensian staff have, in building this annual, aimed to make it the best Sturgensian in School History. We have tried to preserve your memories of certain highlights of the past year by presenting more and better pictures of social life as well as classroom work. We have reviewed the year as accurately as possible; and where we were unable to use pictures, we have told the history in words. By using a new process of printing, we were enabled to accomplish greater variety throughout the book. We sincerely hope that our efforts will not be fruitless, that during the years to come you will be able to enjoy your school days once again by thumbing through the pages of the 1940 "Sturgensian."

LOWER: Sweatshop.

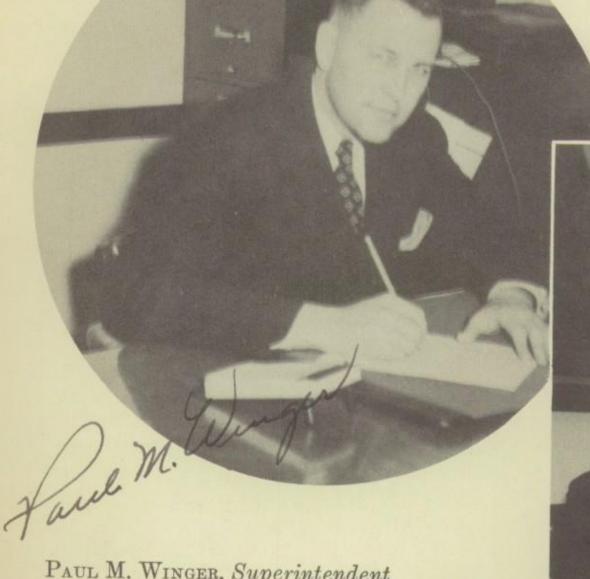
LOWER CORNER: Heating plant in a snow storm.







The men the wheels



Paul M. Winger, Superintendent

Mr. Winger attended high school in North Manchester, Indiana and after graduation became a student at North Manchester College where he was awarded his A.B. degree in 1927. His M. A. degree, he earned at the U. of Indiana and he has attended summer school at the U. of Wisconsin, the U. of Chicago, and the U. of Michigan.

Mr. Winger taught social science in Sturgis schools. In 1934 he was chosen principal and this year he was made superintendent of the Sturgis Public Schools.



SCHOOL BOARD

Today our school has a better financial status than it has had for a good many years. Most of it is due to the capable management of L. J. Graves, P. Yoder, L. B. Purdy, H. D. Hamilton, J. P. Linder, and M. Seger who make up our School Board.

Dr. Purdy is President of the School Board and the oldest member.

Perhaps you studes don't realize it, but without the help of the School Board, the new bleachers at Spence Field would not have become a reality. We would still be "squashed" into the old ones on the west side.

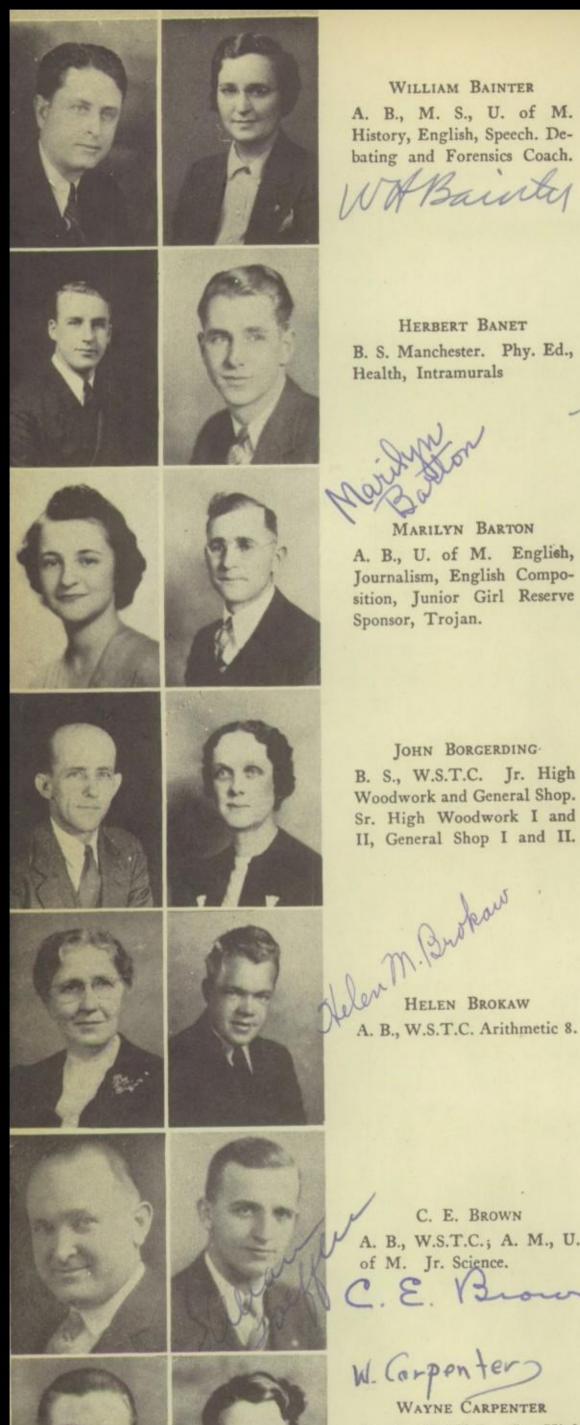
who make go round



J. CARLTON PERRY, Principal

Mr. Perry attended Coldwater High School and after graduation became a student at M.S.C., graduating there in 1920. Mr. Perry taught for one year at a country school near Coldwater. In 1921, he began teaching vocational agriculture in the Sturgis High School. He held this position until becoming principle of the Sturgis High School this year.

LEFT TO RIGHT: L. Purdy, President; P. Yoder, Secretary; H. Hamilton, L. Graves, J. Linder, R. Scheetz, M. Seger.



WILLIAM BAINTER A. B., M. S., U. of M. History, English, Speech. Debating and Forensics Coach.

HAZEL CORE B. S., Ohio University. Jr. High Home Ec., Home Ec. I and II, Orthopedic Lunch Supervisor.

Hazel Core

HERBERT BANET B. S. Manchester. Phy. Ed., Health, Intramurals

CECIL DEHAVEN A. B., W.S.T.C. Bkkg. I and II, Hi-Y Clab, Commercial Clob. (2 NO M

WE Our

MARILYN BARTON

A. B., U. of M. English, Journalism, English Composition, Junior Girl Reserve Sponsor, Trojan.

B. S., Michigan State. Agriculture I and II, Agricultural Biology, F. F. A., 4-H

Club.

JOHN BORGERDING

B. S., W.S.T.C. Jr. High Woodwork and General Shop. Sr. High Woodwork I and II, General Shop I and II.

HELEN BROKAW

NORA HAGEN A. B., U. of M. English Literature.

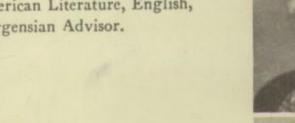
PAUL KRUEGER B. S., W.S.T.C. Jr. High

History and Civics. Ass't. Coach; Football, Basketball, Baseball, and Wrestling.



C. E. BROWN A. B., W.S.T.C.; A. M., U. of M. Jr. Science.

ALLAN LOEFFLER A. B. and A. M., U. of M. American Literature, English, Sturgensian Advisor.



W. Carponters

B. S., W.S.T.C. Jr. High Freehand Sketching and Mechanical Drawing, Elem. and Adv. Mech. Dr. and Arch. Dr.

Meldred Lomes MILDRED LOOMIS

A. B., Albion. Jr. High Art, Beg. and Adv. High School Art, Art Club.



Present Faculty

MURIEL RIX A. B., Kalamazoo College. Latin 9 and 10, English 7, Sponsor of Latin Club.

GORDON SCHILZ

FRANCES STRATTON A. B., Hillsdale. English 7, School Librarian.

Frances Stratton

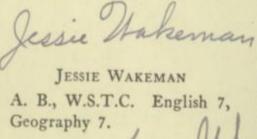
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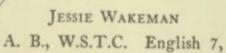












RUTH WAT

U. of M., La Sorbonne. 1st

and 2nd year French, Eng-

Geography 7.

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A. B., Albion; A. M., Colum- B. S., W.S.T.C. Hygiene,

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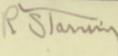












EDNA MANLEY A. B., W.S.T.C. Jr. High History.

ROBERT MILLER

A. B., W.S.T.C. Head Coach,

General Math.

MARY SEITZ A. B. Western State Teachers College. Algebra, Geometry.

ROBERT SNOW B. S., U. of M.; M. S., Knox.

Arithmetic 7, Algebra 9, Adv. Algebra, Trig., Solid Geometry.

A. B., W. S. T. C. Typing,

PHINEAS WHEAT B. S., Kalamazoo College. Band, Ir High Band, Grade School Band.

A. M., B. S., Ohio State. Government and Economics. General Business.

MARTIN PECK

MILO POMEROY

A. B., Western State Teachers College. Chorus (Ir. and Sr. High School), Sponsor of Glee Clubs

ROBERT STARRING

Sr. Play Coach.

A. B., W.S.T.C.; A. M., U. B. S., Central State Teacher's of M. English 10, Jr. and College. Beginning and Advanced Typing.

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H. E. POWELL B. S., Adrian; M. S., U. of M. Chemistry, Biology, Science Club.

HAROLD BOWDISH B. S., W.S.T.C. Physics, Jr. Science, Jr. High Math.

MARGARET OLDS B. S., Michigan State Normal College. Sight-saving Classes.

Our Faculty works...

The faculty and administration relax occasionally and we understand they really have a bang-up good time.

They lost their identity, as well as their dignity, at a masquerade party at Martin Bostetter's shack. Miss McLaughlin caused quite a stir when she made a late and dramatic entrance on the arm of Mr. Starring. She was dressed as Mae West! and Mr. Starring as Herr Doktor.

A few months later, a chicken dinner, ping-pong, and cards were featured at the Mintdale Club House. That evening Superintendent Winger and artteacher Marquem established themselves as undisputed-all-school-faculty-ping-pong-doubles champions.

In addition to the all-school parties, the men teachers usually organize a few stag parties. In the fall, the floor joists of the Clemmons-Loeffler shack at Nigar Lake groaned beneath twenty-eight men loaded with hamburgers and pie. Highlights were the spirited volley-ball game in a pasture—and the swarm of wasps that descended upon the card players inside the shack.

BELOW: Studious (?) teachers.

Another stag party was held in the recreation room of Mr. Grim's new home. Trouble with the auxiliary oil stoves starved the men until 9:30. When the meal was finally ready, about 30 pounds of smelt disappeared into 18 men.

The students get a vacation of two days when the teachers swarm to the State Convention. They come back loaded with inspiration, new ideas, and Michigan apples.

Many members of the faculty belong to local clubs and lodges and show a vital interest in civic work.

Perhaps this will give you an idea of some of the good times the faculty members have and that they are really human and look forward to vacations and holidays as much as we students do.

W. Bainter-Fishing.

M. Barton—Collecting "Dogs", Miniature Pictures.

H. Bowdish-Fishing.

H. Brokaw-Dogs, especially "one".

C. Brown-Fishing and Hunting.

W. Carpenter-Hunting and Fishing.

H. Core-Horseback Riding.

BELOW: Preparing the bad news.

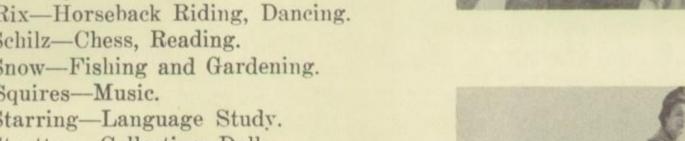




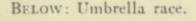
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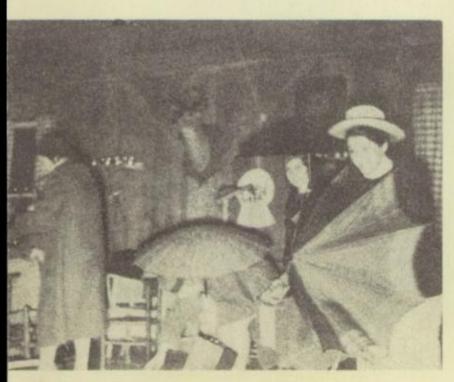
- C. DeHaven-Fishing and Swimming-Collecting and Refinishing Antique Furniture.
- F. Grim-Farming.
- N. Hagen-Reading, Piecing Quilts, Raising Flowers.
- P. Krueger-Fishing.
- A. Loeffler-Fishing, Hunting and Writing.
- E. Manley—Collecting Poems.
- R. Miller-Sports (reads all sporting sheets possible).
- M. Peck-Reading.
- M. Pomeroy-Golf, Ice Skating.
- E. Powell-Photography, Music, Woodworking.
- M. Rix-Horseback Riding, Dancing.
- G. Schilz-Chess, Reading.
- R. Snow-Fishing and Gardening.
- K. Squires-Music.
- R. Starring-Language Study.
- F. Stratton—Collecting Dolls.
- A. VanderRoest Collecting "Friendship" Poems and Quotations.
- R. Watson-Gathering Mushrooms.
- I. Wakeman-Cooking.
- P. Wheat—Sound Systems.
- M. Olds—Sports.

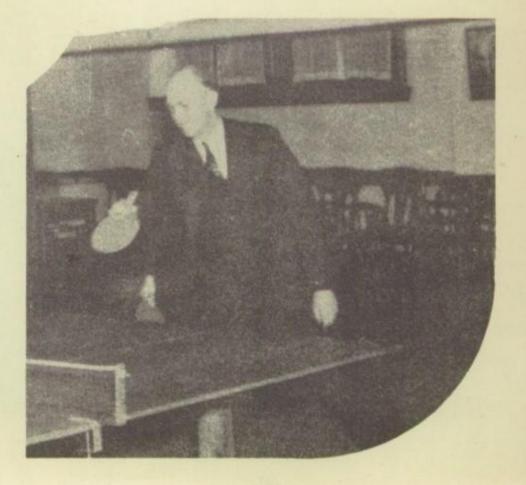
When Mr. Banet was questioned as to his hobby, his reply was, "My wife."















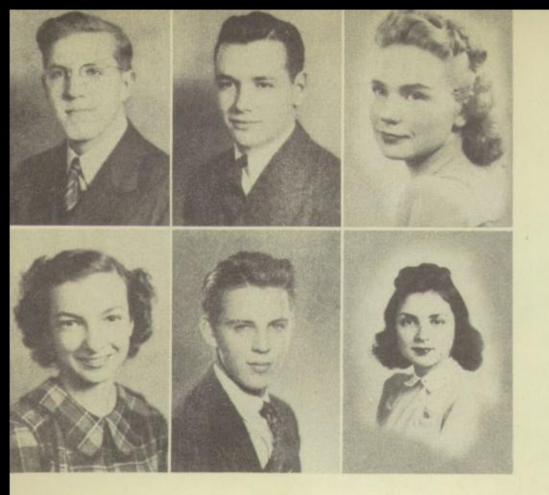
We go to school to work



ABOVE: Shop work.

BELOW: Hard at work in Home Ec.





Senior Leaders

ALBERT ARKLIE "Al"

Football 2-4; Baseball 2-4; Class Officer 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4, Officer er 4; Science Club 3, 4, Officer 4; Intramurals 1-4.

KEITH STEFFEE "Jake"

Football 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Baseball 1-4; Hi-Y 2-4, Pres. 4; Class Officer 2, 4; Intramurals 1, 4; Sr. Play.

JOAN HECHT

Jr. Play; J-Hop Comm.; Sturg. Staff; Class Officers 2-4; Intramurals 1, 2; Orch. 2-4; Operetta 1; Commercial Club 3, 4; Girl Reserves 1.

BARBARA PURDY

Girl Reserves 3,4; J-Hop Comm.; Soph. Prom. Comm.; Class Officer 3, 4; Commercial Club 3, 4, Officer; Operetta 4; Chorus 4; Sturgensian Staff.

JOHN STOECKLE

Forensics 1-4; Band 2-4; Trojan Editor 4; Student Union President 4; Tennis 2-4. MARY JANE BONFIGLIO "Janie"

Glee Club 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Student Council 2, 4, Vice Pres.; J-Hop Comm.; Commercial Club 4; Speech Play.

Green Frosh

Pep and determination to settle down to some earnest studying accompanied us, when we entered the doors of S. H. S. as Freshmen. With 155 members including five sets of twins; the Stoeckles, Fryes, Cones, Kolasas, and Krugers we had a fine start toward being one of the largest classes graduated from S. H. S. We chose John Fair for President, and his assistants Janet Stoeckle, Barbara Griffeth, Janet Van Dyke, and Pat Gilbert to lead us in our Freshmen year in high school.

In our Sophomore year under the newly formed advisory system, we were assigned sponsors for the rest of our high school period, namely: Mr. De Haven, Mr. Brown, Miss Stratton, Mr. Peck and Mr. Volpel, the latter being replaced by Mr. Snow in our Senior year. Under the leadership of these five sponsors and our officers Keith Steffee, Barbara Griffeth, Ann Tompkins, Joan Hecht, Dale Luttman, Bob Wilhelm and Mary Jane Bonfiglio, we presented our Sohpomore Prom. The theme of the dance was "Maytime" which was very successfully carried out.

Work and Intellect



The following students are in the order in which they appear on the Honor Roll:

FRONT Row: John Stoeckle, Valedictorian; Janet Stoeckle, Salutatorian; Ann Tompkins, Historian. Eloise Jones, Leonore Jones.

BACK Row: Barbara Purdy, Richard Wagner, Barbara Griffeth, Jean Mast, Marjorie Newman, Joan Hecht.

Hats off—to the "brainiest" eleven of the class of 1940!

These "honorites" have worked diligently during their four years of High School, and having reached this goal, we feel that we cannot give them too much praise and applause.

Each Senior's credits were totaled, then averaged with the marks received in those credits. The first ten usually make up the Honor Roll, but this year our tenth and eleventh were so close, and number twelve rated quite a lot lower, that number eleven was included on the honor Roll.

We are indeed proud of these eleven students—the "intellectual-elite" of our Senior class.

.. to Grave Senions

With Albert Arklie to lead us, as Juniors we undertook the task of earning money which would enable us to present our J-Hop and also for our long dreamed of Senior trip. Our Junior play "Romance in a Boarding House" proved to be very profitable, thanks to the fine performance of the cast. Our other officers this year were Elaine Scheetz, Joan Hecht, Barbara Griffeth and Ann Tompkins.

At last we were high and mighty Seniors: Albert Arklie was again chosen President; Keith Steffee, Vice President; Joan Hecht, Secretary; Barbara Purdy, Treasurer; John Stoeckle and Mary Jane Bonfiglio, Student Union Representatives. We sponsored several dances and a baked-goods sale, the proceeds of which went toward our trip to Chicago in May.

June 5th marked the close of the happiest and most carefree time of our lives that most of us shall ever experience. We wish to extend our appreciation to those who have so patiently guided us through the last four years.

WILLIAM ADAMS, "Heavy"

WINIFRED ALDRICH, "Wini"
Rural Student Club 2, 3; Commercial Club 4.

ALVIN ARVER, "Alvy"

Art Club 4, Officer; Intramurals
1-4.

JANET BAER, "Jan"

Girl Reserves 1-4; G.A.A. 1-4;

J-Hop Comm.; Basketball 1-4; Intramurals 1-4; Baseball 2, 3; Sr.

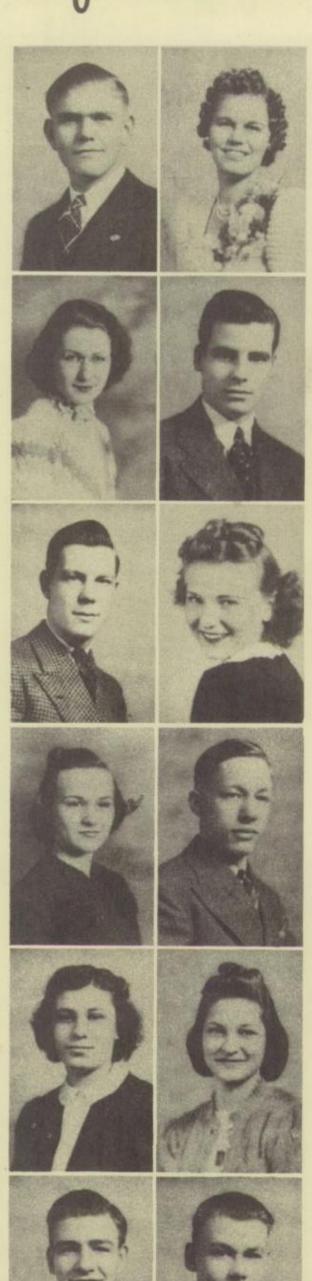
Play; Sturg. Staff.

ALBERTA BALK, "Ber"
Rural Student 1-4; Glee Club 1,
2; Operetta 1.

ELMER BASHORE, "Gush"

Commercial Club 4; Art Club 4;

Chorus 1; Intramurals 1-4.



MAXINE BLODGETT
Chorus 2; Operetta 2; Girl Reserves 2.

ROBERT BLOSSOM, "Spot"
Football 1-4; Basketball 3; J-Hop
Comm.; Intramurals; Sr. Play.

J-Hop Comm.; Chorus 1-4; Operetta 2-4; Glee Club 2-4; Intramurals 1, 2.

ROBERT BOSTETTER, "Butts" Intramurals 2, 3.

ADALENE BRITTON

Basketball 1; Girl Reserves 3, 4;

Commercial Club 4; Jr. Play

Prompter; Glee Club 3.

LEONARD BROUSE, "Lindy"
F.F.A. 1-4; Rural Students Club
1-3; J-Hop Comm.; Hi-Y 4;
Commercial Club 3, 4.

FRANK BRUMBAUGH, "Frankie"
Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Operetta 2, 4;
Jr. Play; Commercial Club; Choir
2, 4; J-Hop Comm.; Sr. Play.

NED CAYWOOD

Baseball 1, 2; Football 3, 4.

ELLEN COLDERT, 'Colie"

Intramurals 1, 2; Girl Reserves 2,

3, G.A.A. 1, 2; Gornner al Club

3, 7, J-Hop Comm

PAUL COMMENATOR
Intramurals

RALPH COMMENATOR
Football 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Hi-Y
3; Commercial Club 4; J-Hop
Comm.; Intramurals.

JEAN A. CONE
G.A.A. 1-4; Girl Reserves 4;
Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Drum
Majorette 3, 4; Science Club 4;
Intramurals 1-4; Basketball 1-4;
Baseball 1-3.













JUNE A. CONE
G.A.A. 1-4; Girl Reserves 4;
Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Drum
Majorette 3, 4; Art Club 3, 4,
Officer; Intramurals 2-4; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1-4.

Jour are a Senior "Dean Corwin!"

DEAN CORWIN, "Wienie"

Intramurals 1-4.

Goodluck in the future. aliciMa. ALICE MAE DENISON, "Dennie"

ALICE MAE DENISON, "Dennie" Chorus 1, 2; Operetta 2; Intramurals 2.

JOE DOBBERTEEN, "Doc"

Hi-Y 3, 4; Football 1, 3; Baseball 2-4; Intramurals 1-4; Manager, Football, Basketball, 2; JHop Comm.; Science Club 4.

MARY ELLEN DONBAR, "Dunnie"
Corpus Christi High School, Texas
1-3; Art Club 3, 4; Girl Reserves
1-4; Chorus 1, 2; All Star Baseball 2; Intramurals 1, 2.

ROBERT DONLEY, "McGee 1" Band 1, 2; Intramurals 1-4; Baseball 1, 2; Basketball 2-4.

FRANCES EASTERLY
Girl Reserves 2, 3; Science Club
2, 3; J-Hop Comm.

PAUL EDGINGTON

EUGENE ELDRIDGE Baseball 2; Intramurals.

JOHN FAIR

Class Officer 1; F.F.A. 1-4; Rural Student 1-4; Football 1-4;

Baseball 2, 3; Intramurals 1-4;

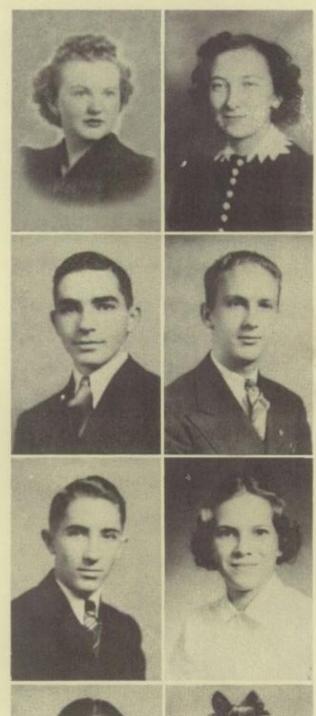
Hi-Y 3, 4; J-Hop Comm.

ROSANNA DRAKE FELLER, "Rosie" Science Club 3; Girl Reserves 3.

BETTY FRANK

White Pigeon High School 1-3;
Glee Club 1-3; Paper Staff; Home
Ec. Club 1, 2; Pep Club 2, 3; Jr.

Play; Librarian 3; J-Hop Comm.









Wanda Frays
Rural Students' Club 1-4; Chorus
1-4; Operetta 2-4; Choir 2-4.

HARRY GAGE
Band 1-4; Orchestra 1-4; J-Hop
Comm.; Intramurals 1, 2, 4.

AILEEN GEST, "Ping"

PATRICIA GILBERT, "Pat"

Band 1-4; Girl Reserves 1-4; JHop Comm.; Sturg. Staff; Student Council 1; Orch. 1; Sr. Play.

MARIAN GILHAMS, "Gilly"
Girl Reserves 1-4; Officer 3;
Band 1-4; Class Officer 1, 2; JHop Comm.; Orch. 1; Trojan
Staff.

Doris Good, "Goody"

Rural Students' Club 1, 2, 4;

Girl Reserves 3; Trojan Staff.

WANDA GOOD Band 1-4; G.A.A. 1-4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Orch. 1, 2; Intramurals 1-4.

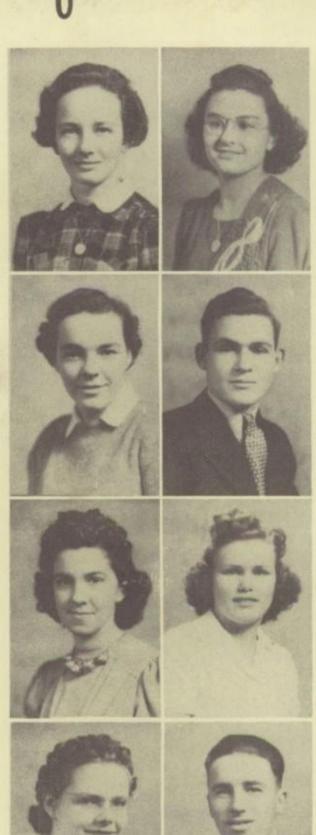
GWEN GRATTAN, "Gwennie" St. Joeseph 1, 2; Orchestra 1-4; Science Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Sr. Play.

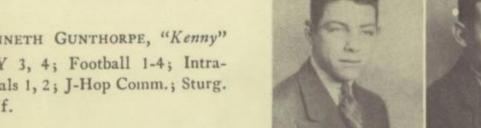
BARBARA GRIFFETH, "Bobbie" Orch. 1-4; Class Officer 1-3; G.A.A. 2-4; Commercial Club 3, 4, Pres. 4; Operetta 1-4; Sturg. Staff; Chorus 1-4; Intramurals 1-4; Sr. Play.

NILETA GRIMM Girl Reserves 3, 4; Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Jr. Play.

KENNETH GUNTHORPE, "Kenny" Hi-Y 3, 4; Football 1-4; Intramurals 1, 2; J-Hop Comm.; Sturg. Staff.

EUGENE HAGEN Football 2-4; F.F.A. 1-4; Intramurals 1-4; Wrestling 2-4.







LOVADA HAPPEL, "Vadie" Chorus 1-3; Operetta 2, 3; Choir 3; Rural Students' Club 1-4, Sturgensian Staff.

WARD HART

MABLE HARTMAN Science Club 2; Intramurals 2; Chorus 1; Girl Reserves 3; Commercial Club 4.

VINCENT HEPNER F.F.A. 2-4; Rural Students' Club 1-4; Intramurals 1-4; Commercial Club 3.

VIRGIL HORTON Intramurals; Rural Students' Club 2-4; F.F.A. 3, 4.

WILLIS HOVARTER Kendallville, Ind. 1, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Baseball 3; Latin Club 4; Soft Ball 3.

JOAN HUBNER, "Jo"
Chorus 2-4; Operetta 2-4; Orch.
2-4; Commercial Club 4.

WILLIAM HUDSON, "Hud"
Football 1-4; Band 1; Choir 4;
J-Hop Comm.; Operetta 4; Glee
Club 4; Intramurals 1-3.

ELOISE JONES
G.A.A. 1-4, Pres. 4; Girl Reserves
1-4, Officer 3; Art Club 3, 4,
Pres. 4; J-Hop Comm.; Soph.
Prom Comm.; Sturg. Staff; Intramurals 1-4.

JOSEPH JONES, "Doc"
Baseball 1, 2; Football Manager
3; Basketball Manager 3, 4; JHop Comm.; Latin Club 4; Trojan Staff; Intramurals 2, 3.

LENORE JONES

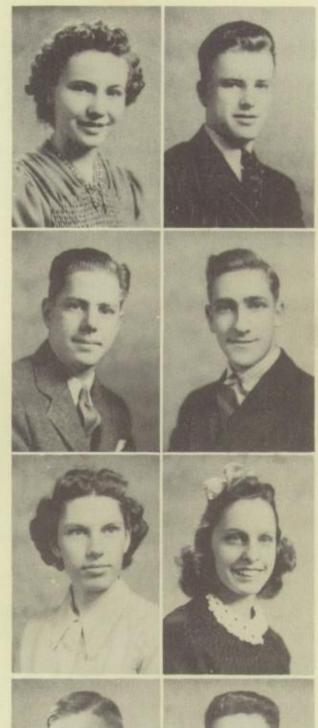
Girl Reserves 1-4; G.A.A. 2-4,

Officer 3; Jr. Play; Sturg. Staff;

Soph. Prom Comm.; J-Hop Committee; Commercial Club 4; Intramurals 3, 4.

JOHN KLINE, "McGee II"

Basketball 1-4; Baseball 3; Glee
Club 3, 4; J-Hop Comm.; Hi-Y
3, 4; Intramurals; Operetta 3;
Orch. 3, 4; Trojan Staff.









WILLIAM KOEHL, "Willie"
Hi-Y 3, 4; Football 2-4; Basket-ball 2-4; Intramurals 1-4.

EUGENE KOLASA, "Mike"
Football 2-4; Baseball 1-4; Art
Club 3, 4; Intramurals 1-4; Soph.
Prom Comm.; J-Hop Comm.

EUGENIA KOLASA, "Sis"

Science Club 2-4; Intramurals 1-4; Girl Reserves 1-4; Trojan Staff; G.A.A. 1-4; J-Hop Comm.; Operetta 4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Soph. Prom Comm.; Orch. 4.

ALBERT KRUGER, "Al"
Football 2-4; Basketball 2-4; HiY 3, 4; Intramurals.

ALBERTA KRUGER, "Berta"
Chorus 1; Commercial Club 3, 4;
Intramurals 1, 2.

HELEN KULPINSKI Commercial Club 4; Health Club 4.

CLAIR LARGE, "Bud"
Football 1-4; F.F.A. 4; Rural
Students' Club 4; Intramurals 1-4.

ROSEMARY LAWS, "Rosie"
Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Band 1-4;
Girl Reserves 2-4; G.A.A. 3;
Trojan Staff.

Donald Lockwood, Jr., "Uney" Baseball 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2.

WILLIAM LONG, "Bill"
Elkhart 1-3; Band 1-4; Trojan
Staff.

DALE LUTTMAN
Glee Club 2-4; Operetta 2-4;
Choir 2-4; Jr. Play; Science Club
1-4; Hi-Y 2-4; Sr. Play.

LUCILLE MANN, "Lucy"
Choir 1-3; Commercial Club 3;
Orch. 1-4; Operetta 1-3.













JEAN MAST
Intramurals 2, 4; Art Club 3, 4;
Orch. 1-4.

NOLA MATHIS

WILLIAM McKale, "Whitey"

J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals 1-4.

WILBUR McLAUCHLIN, "Slug"
Football 3; Basketball 2; Intramurals 1-3.

DOROTHY MERCHANT, "Swifty"
Commercial Club 3, 4.

JAMES MISNER, "Jimmie" Band 1-4; Intramurals 2.

PHYLLIS MOON, "Phyl"

Girl Reserves 1-4; G.A.A. 2-4;

Commercial Club 4; J-Hop Committee; Intramurals 1-3; Soph.

Prom. Comm.

RUTH MORRIS, "Blondie"
Burr Oak 1, 2; Chorus 1, 2, 4;
Operetta 1, 2; Pep Club 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3.

MARINA NAMEY
Girl Reserves 1-4; Trojan Staff;
J-Hop Comm.; Sophomore Prom.
Comm.

MARJORIE NEWMAN, "Margie"

Jr. Play; Speech Class Play 3;
Operetta 4; Girl Reserves 1-4;
G.A.A. 2-4; J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals 2, 3; Science Club 4;
Commercial Club 4; Trojan Staff.

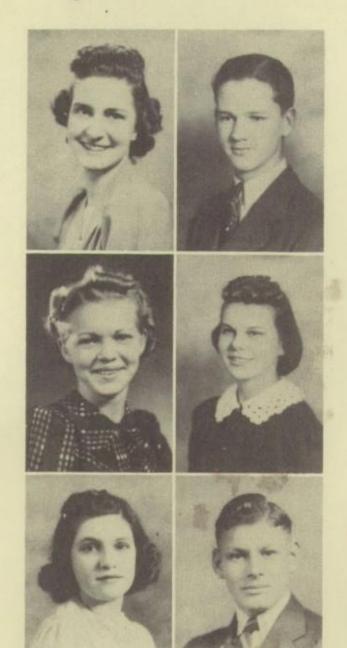
ELSIE OLDENBURG
Commercial Club 3, 4; J-Hop
Comm.; Intramurals 2, 3.

GENEVA PALMER, "Nevie"

Girl Reserves 2-4; Science Club

3, 4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2; J-Hop Comm.;

Glee Club 3, 4.









Kenneth Parker, "Park"
Football 1, 3; Baseball 2-4; J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals 2-4.

NORMA PITCHER

Girl Reserves 2-4; G.A.A. 2-4,

Officer 4; J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals 3, 4; Commercial Club

3, 4, Officer 4; Glee Club 3; Sr. Play Prompter; Trojan Staff 4.

LEE POST
Football 3; Baseball 1, 2, 4;
Commercial Club 3, 4; Intramurals 1-4.

BEATRICE PRESTIDGE, "Bee" Jr. Play; J-Hop Comm.; Sr. Play; Speech Play.

Pauline Raley, "Polly" Band 1-4.

GORDAN REEG
Baseball 3; Football 3; Intramurals 1-4; Jr. Play.

DALE RIFENBURG, "Squirt"
Intramurals 1-4.

CALVIN RINGLER
F. F. A. 1-4, Officer 4; Rural
Students' Club 1.

TRUMAN ROBERTS
Football 1-4; Baseball 2, 3; Intramurals 1-4; J-Hop Comm.

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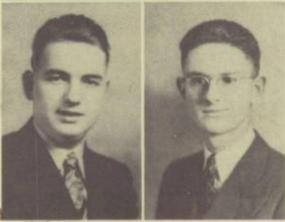
JOHN K. ROYER, "Nubbin" F.F.A. 2-4; Rural Students' Club 1-4; Football 3, 4; Intramurals.

PAUL RUMBAGH

RUTH SANDERSON

Jamestown, Ind. 1, 2; Glee Club
2-3; Operetta 3, 4; Choir 3, 4;
Girl Reserves 1, 2; G.A.A. 2.













ELAINE SCHEETZ, "Rusty"

Intramurals 1-4; Girl Reserves 2-4, Officer 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Officer 4; Chorus 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Jr. Play; Class Officer 3; J-Hop Comm.; Trojan Staff; Senior Play.

ROGER SCHEETZ, "Rog"
Hi-Y 2-4; J-Hop Comm.; Tennis
2-4; Art Club 3, 4; Commercial
Club 4; Soph. Prom. Comm.

BARBARA SCHROEDER, "Bobbie"
Girl Reserves 3, 4; Science Club
3, 4; Commercial Club 4; J-Hop
Comm.; Intramurals 1, 2, 3.

TESSIBELL SKINNER, "Tess"
Band 1-4; Orch. 1; Art Club 3;
J-Hop Comm.

CADDIE MAE SMITH, "Kitty"
Chorus 2; Operetta 2; Intramurals 1, 2; Health Club 4.

GARLAND SMITH
Rural Students' Club 3, 4; Art
Club 4.

JANET STOECKLE, "Stokie"

Girl Reserves 1-4, Officer 3;

G.A.A. 1-4, Officer 3. Class Officer 1; J-Hop Comm.; Glee Club

1-4; Operetta 1-4; Commercial

Club 3, 4; Sr. Play.

RICHARD TAYLOR, "Spinner"

Band 1-4; Intramurals 1, 3, 4;

Football 2; Basketball 2.

S. E. High School, Detroit, 1, 2, 1 Iffop Comm., Sturg. Staff; Trojon Staff; Art Club 3, 4, Officer.

ANN TOMPKINS, "Tommy"
Girl Reserves 1-4, Pres. 4; Sturg.
Editor; Trojan Staff; Student
Council 3; Class Officer 2, 3;
G.A.A. 1-4; Soph. Prom. Comm.;
J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals 3;
Speech Play 4.

DONALD TOZER, "Butch"

Orch. 4; Choir 4; Operetta 4;

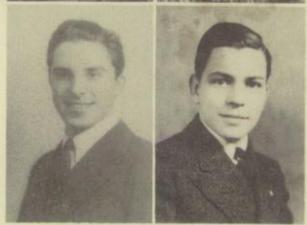
Glee Club 4; Intramurals 1-3.

MARY ULMER, "Blondie"

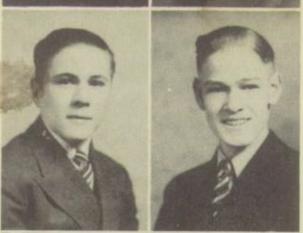
Girl Reserves 1-4; Commercial
Club 3, 4; Science Club 1-4; JHop Comm.; Intramurals 1, 2.













JANET VAN DYKE, "V. D."
Band 1-3; Girl Reserves 1-4;
G.A.A. 1, 2; Orch. 1, 2; Class
Officer 1.

BEULAH VAN ZILE, "Boots"

JOHN VOGT, JR., "Jack"

J-Hop Comm.; Hi-Y 4; Art Club
4; Sturg. Staff; Soph. Prom.
Comm.; Intramurals 2-4.

RICHARD WAGNER, "Dick"
Hi-Y 3, 4, Officer; J-Hop Committee; Sturg. Staff.

DEAN WALTON, "Red" Orch. 1; Science Club 4.

JUNE WARE
G.A.A. 3, 4; J-Hop Comm.; Intramurals.

LORNA WEIDERMAN

ROBERT WEIRICH, "Knobby"

Commercial Club 3, 4, Officer 4;

Baseball 4; Intramurals 1-4.

MARIE JEAN WHITE, "Jeanne" Commercial Club 3, 4.



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DONALD WITTENBURG
Football 1-4; Basketball 1-4; HiY 3, 4; Sturg. Staff.

FABIAN E. WOOD, "Doc"
Band 1-4; Intramurals 1-3; J-Hop Comm.

ARTHUR WOODWARD, "Art"
Intramurals 1, 2.

DICK WYER, "Slip"
Intramurals 1-4; Football 3.



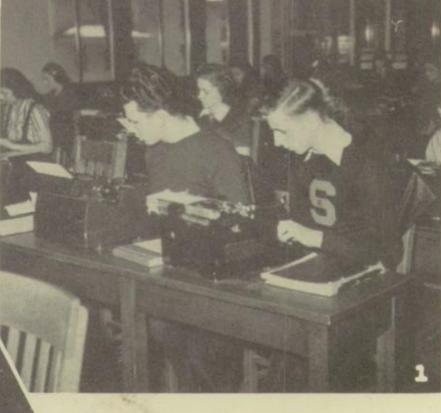


Seniors without pictures

NORMAN ALLEN

FRANCES WEST
Burr Oak 2; Health Club 4.





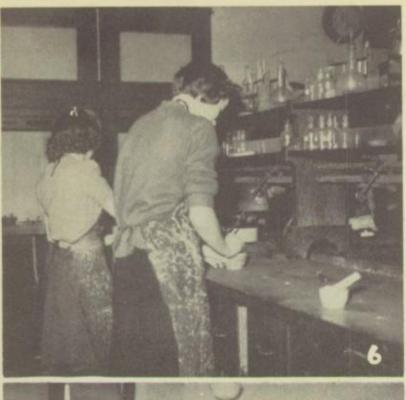
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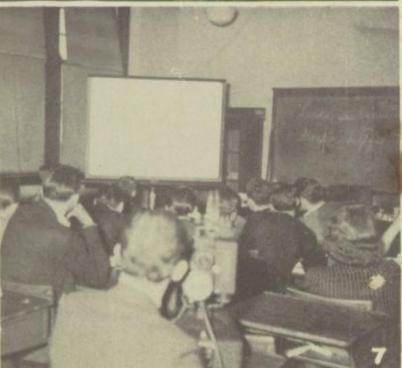


- 1. Peck Peckin' in 1st year typing.
- 2. Stag Line at the Sophomore Barn Dance.
- 3. Capt. Peck and his 2nd Hour Crew in G. S. R.
- 4. 2nd. Hour in the Library.
- 5. G. S. R. at noon.



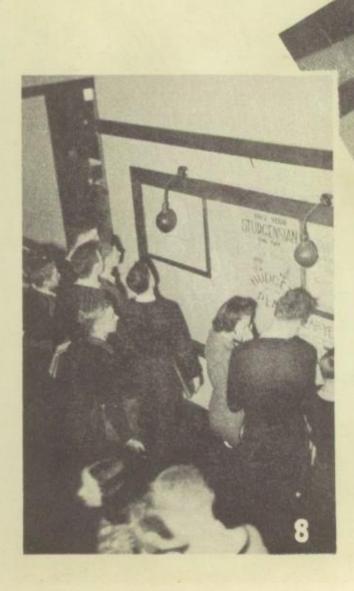






- 6. Spencer and Newman in the Chem. Lab.
- 7. Mr. Loeffler's Senior American Lit. Class.
- 8. At the Bulletin Board.
- 9. Waiting for the doors to open.
- 10. College Day.
- 11. In the "Windy" City.







Jim Au



OFFICERS

M. Sumney, Student Council; V. Jacobs, Secretary,
D. Coohon, Student Council; F. Newman, Treasurer;
J. Freeland, Vice President; V. Hudson, President.

Jolly Juniors

Proving that they are an original group, the Junior class broke a precedent and selected a girl, Virginia Hudson, for their class president. This has proved to be a wise choice because with this energetic young lady at the helm, the Juniors have accomplished much in the past year.

They started by selling season tickets, and a Student Union membership was won by Maurice "Suds" Sumney, who sold 31 tickets. Then a "Girls' Week" was held during which the members of the stronger (?) sex had a little ease on their pocketbooks. This was concluded by an old-fashioned box-social.

On the chilly evenings during the football season and in the gym at basket-

ball games these energetic Juniors furnished the crowds with hotdogs, candy, and hot coffee. After the games, large crowds drifted to the Alumni Room to dance to the music of Don Keeslar's Orchestra.

The class was well represented in the major sports and in intramurals; some of the members took part in the annual operetta; and a number of them won letters for their participation in Forensics.

We wish to thank our sponsors, Miss Willison, Miss Loomis, Mr. Painter, Mr. Squires, and Mr. Pomeroy, because without their counsel and cooperation we could never have accomplished all that we have.



Dale Peters

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Class Roll of

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FRONT ROW: D. Painter, L. Flowers, M. Hahn, E. Gage, F. Brouse, F. Newman, R. Molter, B. VanZile, W.

FRONT Row: H. Frye, B. White, R. Collins, P. Pickells, R. Kelso, J. Smiley, L. Kreider, R. Sarris, R. Kauf-

man, J. Doyle, R. Knox, C. Lower, S. Schragg.

BOYS

SECOND Row: E. Harmon, P. Kraashaar, N. Kreuger, C. Nighswander, W. Brown, A. Moss, W. Beckwith, R. Parham, P. Barnell, R. Kroll, A. Holtz, L. Haskins, V. Bartold.

THIRD Row: N. Hart, R. Stevens, C. Walter, J. Freeland, G. Allen, M. Sumney, J. Blossom, A. Wheat, F. McBride, E. Weaver, P. Littman, P. Unger, P. Rhoades, H. Pierucki.

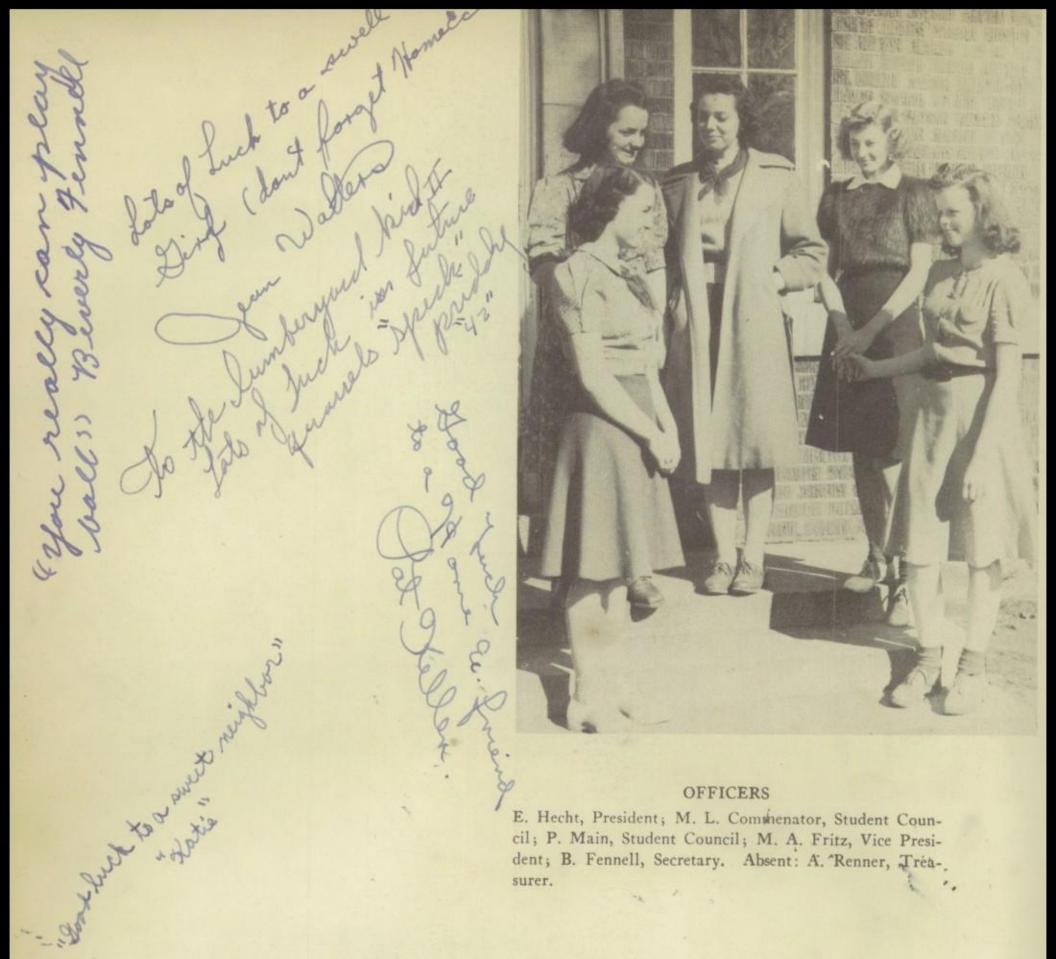
FOURTH Row: R. Rivers, D. Peters, J. Rodgers, D. Morse, L. Matthews, V. Howk, J. Bush, H. Blanchard, C. Holtz, D. Griffeth, H. Wells, G. Ecker, C. Ware, R. Kroonz, L. Graves.

SECOND Row: H. Mecklenberg, B. Reed, M. Sutton, D. Miller, E. Brown, A. Namey, J. Collins, B. Jorn, M. Hill, B. Sweet, J. Sheeler, G. Benhke.

Gunthorpe, V. Bupp, E. Kelley, J. Davidson.

THIRD Row: C. Watson, M. Weaver, B. Baker, E. Froh, B. Snook, V. Hudson, D. Coohon, J. Eshleman, M. Bell, G. Large, S. Hubner, J. Will.

FOURTH Row: L. Spenser, V. MacLaughlin, C. Pierucki, D. Bowman, V. Jacobs, G. Downing, F. Bashore, E. McKinstry, N. Adams, J. Farnsley, V. Hills, B. Williams, M. Wagner, C. J. Yunker, M. Mann.



Bold Sophomores

"Hi there!"

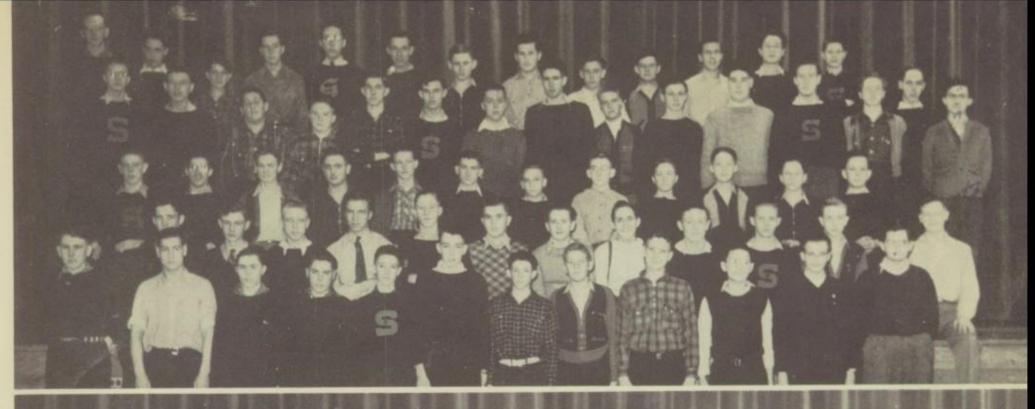
"Well hello! Haven't seen you since last June," and "I wonder if I'm going to like my new teachers?" tells the story of our first day in senior high school.

Art Renner feels pretty funny coming to class officer's meetings with four other girls.

Our class has really progressed this year for we've already started planning for our senior trip, and through the combined efforts of our sponsors, Mrs. Seitz, Mrs. Watson, Mr. Starring, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Grimm, and all the members of our class we've completed some money making projects—two baked-goods sales and the schedule pencil project. Our class is proud of the profit we made on these undertakings.

Our plans for the Sophomore Prom in April were original. This different Sophomore Prom was an old fashioned square dance with a caller.

We hope that the cooperation and success we have known this year will follow us on through our junior and senior years.





BOYS

GIRLS

FRONT Row: J. Houck, A. Mitchell, D. Eicholtz, R. Schragg, R. Large, B. Kuhl, D. Fritz, D. Kane, B. Schuler, M. Lawniczak, J. Nancey, R. Bietz.

SECOND Row: E. Ankney, M. Frohmep, D. Eberhard, E. Wagner, B. McLanghlin, Z. Zable, L. Wolverton, G. Shears, F. Borgert, H. Loetz, R. Parker, O. Poley.

THIRD ROW: W. Mingus, R. Hire, F. Ecker, J. Quiren, V. Reeg, C. Shirley, D. Smith, D. Glasgow, D. Krueger, D. Mast, F. Purdy, D. Kahmann.

FOURTH ROW: R. Leestma, M. Wood, V. Hambright, W. Walter, D. Weir, C. Marshall, T. Makyes, A. Renner, D. Gage, W. Carls, J. Slack, L. Bothamly, A. Hafer, M. Bostetter, E. Schmidt.

FIFTH Row: T. Kane, N. Pierson, C. Priddy, F. Middlestadt, A. Roat, H. Magnus, E. Ripple, R. Palmer, H. Hudson, F. Ecker, R. Bryie, C. Schurtz, G. Petschulat.

FRONT Row: M. Grisamer, H. Van Zile, W. Steinke, H. Harman, D. Prestidge, A. Chestnut, E. Harker, R. Stahl, M. Hudson, L. Carter, P. Scupholm, E. Mishler, J. Sieg.

SECOND Row: J. Fenner, P. Main, E. Blanchard, L. Gibson, R. Gerardo, G. Dresser, A. Kemp, I. Cramer, C. Cook, Dunwiddie, B. Hrdina, M. Nickels, B. Prestidge.

THIRD ROW: E. Hecht, N. Paris, G. Pappas, C. Keller, L. Hoencke, M. Mecklenburg, P. Souerwine, B. Weirich, D. Sturgis, J. King, E. Kelly, H. Prestidge.

FOURTH ROW: R. Tappero, V. Chrysler, W. Miller, W. King, M. Taylor, J. Prestidge, B. Craven, B. Keeslar, B. Pierson, M. Klopfenstein, P. Keller, V. Robinson, R. Sites.

FIFTH Row: W. May, M. Commenator, J. Walters, J. Case, E. Harker, J. Schmidt, B. Bonfiglio, J. Lockwood, M. Fritz, B. Fennell, D. Rawls, M. Hershberger, B. Ritter.

reat luch a good farmer OFFICERS B. Douglas, Vice President; R. Scheetz, Student Council; A. Henderson, Secretary; J. Crain, President. Absent: G. Parker, Treasurer; P. Fair, Student Council. This year of our high school days aren't taking a back seat by any means either, as this year they were allowed to will always be remembered by our class, as this was the year when we really felt Join the different high school organiza-

big" or grown up.

To start off the swell times is class, we took the annual Biology trip to Chicago, and did we have furth We saw many interesting sights Some of us were more interested than others, but we all managed to have a wonderful time.

This year a great many of our Freshmen lads have made something of themse ves on basketball and football teams, and we are very proud of them. The gals

tions, such as the Girl Reserves and the G.A.A. The fact which pleased most of us was that we were allowed to attend the Student Union dances with the older boys and girls.

This has been a very exciting year for our Freshman class, and we hope that the rest of our high school days will be just as exciting. Also we want to thank our sponsors, who have made it possible to have some of our delightful times to-





OFFICERS

B. Grim, Secretary; P. Lewis, Student Council; B. Coombs, Treasurer; J. Bogart, Student Council; T. Davis, President; R. Linder, Vice President.

Burnies

Rhynies

Rhynies

In the fall of 1939, one hundred and thirty-seven students enrolled in the eighth grade. A class meeting opened up the year's activities at which we elected our officers for the year. We chose Thyra Davis for President, Bob Linder for Vice President, Beverly Grim, Secretary, Betty Combs, Treasurer, and Joe Bogart and Pat Lewis to be our delegates to the Student Union. On December 15 we, along with the 6th and 7th graders, obtained the gym for an evening of bingo, ping-pong, dancing, and a game of volleyball for the boys. Refreshments that night were ice cream bars which met with our enthusiastic approval.

We were well represented in all branches of Intramural Sports this year and some of the Rhynies that we are counting on to make a name for our class in sports within the next few years are Neubert Petschulat, Jim Reed, George Knowles, Harry Guilbo, Emery Jones, Joe Bogart, and Don Snook.

We are all looking forward to next year when we will be given the privilege of joining some of the many clubs, and entering into some of the other activities reserved for Senior High School students.

Without the help of an advisor our parties would not have been held, so we wish to thank them for their kind help and advice during the year.





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Class Roll Lots of luck

FRONT Row: K. Dauber, N. Vincent, V. Mow, M. Wetzel, D. Baker, D. Jacobs, J. Post, D. Snook, R. Parker, W. Fleck, L. Tozer.

SECOND Row: R. Allen, B. Frays, H. Guilbo, D. Wagner, L. Miller, H. Eaton, A. Reeg, J. McNall, E. Jones, R. Kreuger, T. Lovelace, G. Knowles, R. Kline.

THIRD ROW: N. Walton, R. Clark, D. Huston, B. Mann, R. Greunert, J. Gosling, J. Bucholz, W. Sailors, J. Reed, N. Petschulat, P. Wheat, R. Loetz.

FOURTH ROW: F. Hemmer, K. Bupp, C. VanNuys, R. Linder, R. Jorn, D. Holtz, C. Urick, C. Harmon, R. Collins, K. Goss, S. Rice, J. Bogart.

FIFTH Row: E. Waltke, B. Evans, C. Wolf, J. Hearld, D. Avery, H. Wygant, M. Snook, G. Blasius, D. Tuttle, J. Vogt, D. Tennant, R. Repke.

FRONT Row: M. Marriott, J. Hudson, G. Ankney, B. Kilbury, B. Ulmer, C. Newman, B. Grim, B. Keeslar, M. Shinn, A. Clark, J. West, V. Upton, J. Houck.

SECOND ROW: R. McBride, B. Holsinger, G. Derr, M. Mishler, M. Purdy, B. Gerchow, J. Keagle, S. Mitch, J. Everhard, B. Gage, L. Baer, L. Lancaster.

THIRD ROW: T. Balke, W. Dauber, D. Gilkison, B. Meese, S. Mick, N. Pickles, J. Allen, E. Walters, F. Kolassa, B. Makeys, P. Lewis, J. Ely, D. Mc-Pherson.

FOURTH Row: A. Palmer, V. Schrader, B. Nighswander, B. Coombs, J. Levinski, B. Bush, L. Calkins, S. Donelson, M. Reynolds, M. Scheetz, H. Schuler, D. Bell.

FIFTH ROW: D. Johnson, M. Wetzel, E. Strang, L. Keeslar, E. McBride, P. Keunzel, S. Hamilton, C. Cromer, M. Dresser, T. Davis, E. Hartman, P. Hecht, A. Hire.



OFFICERS

R. Shimmel, Secretary; M. C. Wright, Treasurer. BACK Row: T. Roberts, Student Council; H. Scheetz, Vice President; L. Cone, President.

Runts

In the fall of 1939, one hundred and thirty seventh graders met for the first time in the High School.

High School is a little different this year for most of us. For many weeks we didn't know what to do with ourselves except run from room to room. But now we know that there are certain rules we must follow, such as always go up the West Stairs and down the East, and keep to the right in the halls, and we have been trying to do just that. However, we feel much wiser than we did a year ago.

Our first class party was held on December 15th in the gymnasium. The sixth and eighth graders also attended the party. We played bingo and ping-pong, and some of the boys played games like basketball on the gym floor. Ice cream bars were served as refreshments.

This large class will be interesting to watch grow, for if it is as active in the years to come as it is at the present, it will be an alert group of students with plenty of initiative ("oomph" to you) to put over its programs.





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FRONT Row: Long, Phillips, Reimann, Embler, Dull, Eaton, Clark, Baker, Darby, Calkins, Fox, Brecheis-

BOYS

FRONT Row: Large, Blasius, Tober, Strang, Roberts, Scheetz, Reeg, Notestine, Hart.

SECOND Row: Sheeler, Bonnewell, Waltke, Radant, Spearow, Trine, Shimmel, Grim, Ulmer, R. Mowry.

THIRD Row: Blackney, Ammerman, Fennell, Griffis, W. Mowry, Misner, Palmer, Hecht, Summey, Troyer.

FOURTH Row: Hambright, Hill, Colbert, Harman, C. Kirsch, Gosling, Godden, J. Kirsch, Crosby.

FIFTH Row: Sites, Kanouse, Christensen, Dobberteen, Beers, Bolley, Pappas, Barbee, Atwater.

SECOND Row: Moore, Pfund, Light, Guilbo, Dobberteen, Cerney, Bassett, Gerardo, Frame, Burmeister, Behnke,

en, Asbury, Wagner.

Felter, Frohriep, Wood, West.

THIRD ROW: Nusbaum, Palmer, Shuey, Holtz, Brothers, Cone, Blossom, Fiandt, Carter, Holsinger, Hossie, Hecht, Wright, Weaver.

FOURTH ROW: F. Persing, Rickett, Swalley, Via, Tooley, S. Prestidge, Stark, Schlorff, Frye, Eberhard, Van-Zile, Collins, Baker, Bupp, Bower, Parker, Kline.

FIFTH Row: Mann, Newman, Pettijohn, Lutz, Marriott, Sumney, B. Prestidge, Pierson, Walda, Klingler, Rambadt, Zeeb, Urick, Stevens.

We go to school to play



ABOVE: Penny tossers at G. A. A. Carnival.

LEFT: Keeslar's orchestra swings out.





LEFT-Staff in action.

RIGHT—FRONT Row: Thomas, Wagner,
Wittenberg, Gunthorpe, Vogt.

BACK Row: Purdy, Gilbert, E. Jones,
Griffeth, Hecht, L. Jones, Tompkins.

Yearbook Scribes

In compiling this "Sturgensian" the staff has endeavored to bring out the high-lights in every organization and sport by means of photographs or word pictures. To allow the inclusion of a much larger number of pictures, a new process of engraving and printing was used.

Much credit should go to Jack Vogt, our photographer, for his excellent pictures and to our art editor, Eloise Jones, and her assistant, Al Thomas, for their original layouts of the sections. Our salesmen also are to be commended on the number of ads they sold.

In November the editor and art editor attended the N.S.P.A. Convention in Chicago with Mr. Leoffler. They brought back many new ideas for better write-ups and page layouts.

The staff has worked diligently on this annual and now that our work is completed, we feel very proud of the 1940 Sturgensian. We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Loeffler, staff advisor, and Mr. Squires, business advisor, for their kind help.

The staff was composed of the following: Editor, Ann Tompkins; Ass't. Editor, Lenore Jones; Business Manager, Joan Hecht; Salesman, Richard Wagner, Pat Gilbert; Art Editor, Eloise Jones; Ass't. Art Editor, Al Thomas; Senior Write-Ups, Barbara Purdy; Literary Editor, Barbara Griffeth; Sports Editor, Kenneth Gunthorpe; Ass't. Sports Editor, Donald Wittenberg; Photography Editor, Jack Vogt; Typists, Janet Baer, Lovada Happel.

Lawmakers of S. H. S.

The cost of 15 issues of the school paper plus admission to all sports events, musicals, and parties totals \$6.25. Members of the Student Union receive the paper and admission to all the above by paying ten cents a week for twenty weeks, or \$1.75 in advance.

Representatives from the different classes who, under the guidance of Mr. Perry, organized the program for the year are as follows:

Seniors: John Stoeckle, president; Mary Jane Bonfiglio, vice president.

Juniors: Doris Coohon, secretary; Maurice Sumney.

Sophomores: Mary Lou Commenator, Patricia Main.

Freshmen: Robert Scheetz, Paul Fair.

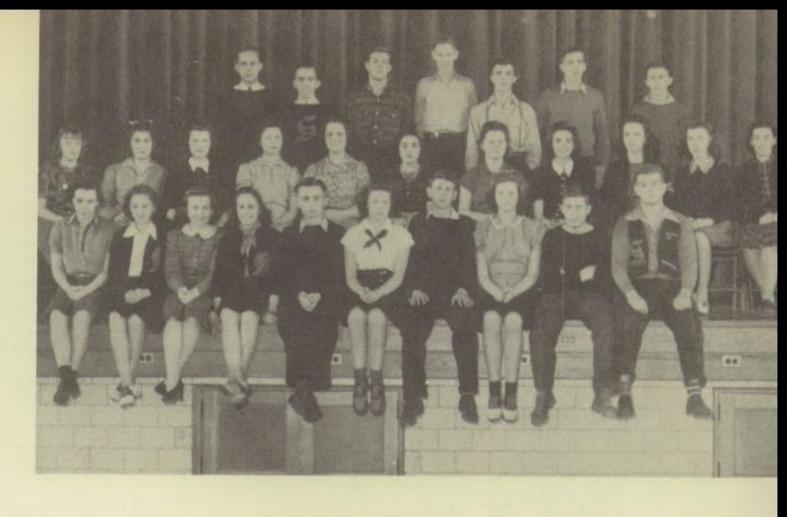
8th grade: Joe Bogart, Patty Lewis.

7th grade: John Hill, Ted Roberts.

Besides the regular school activities, the Student Council planned the annual halloween festival of Sturgis.

> FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: J. Bogart; J. Stoeckle, President; B. Scheetz; M. Sumney; P. Fair; J. Hill.





Microbe

FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Grattan, Molter, M. Newman, Kolasa, A. Wheat, Chestnut, Rivers, G. Dresser, Sarris, Weaver.

SECOND Row: Cone, A. Namey, Collins, Schroeder, M. Commenator, B. Bonfiglio, F. Newman, Coohon, Main, Fenner, J. Lockwood.

THIRD Row: Luttman, Wells, Arklie, Walton, Kauffman, Kraushaar, Knox.

This year twenty-three new members joined the science club. The only requirement was one year of intensive study of bugs, worms, and all other such likeable specimen of nature. The most outstanding of the monthly get-togethers was the initiation. That night the new members were given a chance to determine their susceptibility to shocks and to exercise some self-control.

An educational trip was planned for this spring. One of the money-making projects undertaken by the group was the selling of name pins.

The officers of the club are:

President.......Allen Wheat
Vice President......Albert Arklie
Treasurer......Jayne Collins
Secretary......Alice Namey

Mr. Powell is their sponsor.





LEFT: Not a crumb for the mice.

RIGHT: What! No Mickey Mouse?



Take

a

Letter,

Please

FRONT Row: Froh, Good, Mann, Grattan, R. Scheetz, L. Brouse, Bashore, R. Commenator, Post, Weirich, Sweet, Sheeler, D. Painter.

SECOND Row: Miss Willison, Newman, Purdy, Pitcher, Griffeth, Sumney, Brumbaugh, Moon, E. Kolasa, J. Stoeckle, J. Hubner.

BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Hecht, Aldrich, Colbert, Farnsley, E. Brown, Kulpinski, Alberta Kruger, C. Pierucki, Schroeder, Ulmer, Oldenburg, Britton, Hartman, L. Jones, White.

Lessons on how to pose beautifully but comfortably on the boss'sknee may be the aim of some clubs, but the chief aim of our Commercial Club is to better acquaint students in the Commercial Department with the business world and its demands. In accomplishing this aim we have engaged in many interesting activities.

At Christmas time everybody took his or her hair down and went back in imagination about ten years. The occasion was a "kid" party. Everybody came sporting dollies, hair ribbons, knickers, and such. Most attractive of all was little "Mary" Willison who looked most bewitching in a pretty gingham check.

This kind of party is all well and good for a diversion once in a while, but for commercially-minded students it couldn't bear repeating so the committees decided on other things to attract interest.

Practically every "stude" in the Commercial Department turned out when we had some prospective employers in to give us the lowdown on the business angle from the other side of the desk.

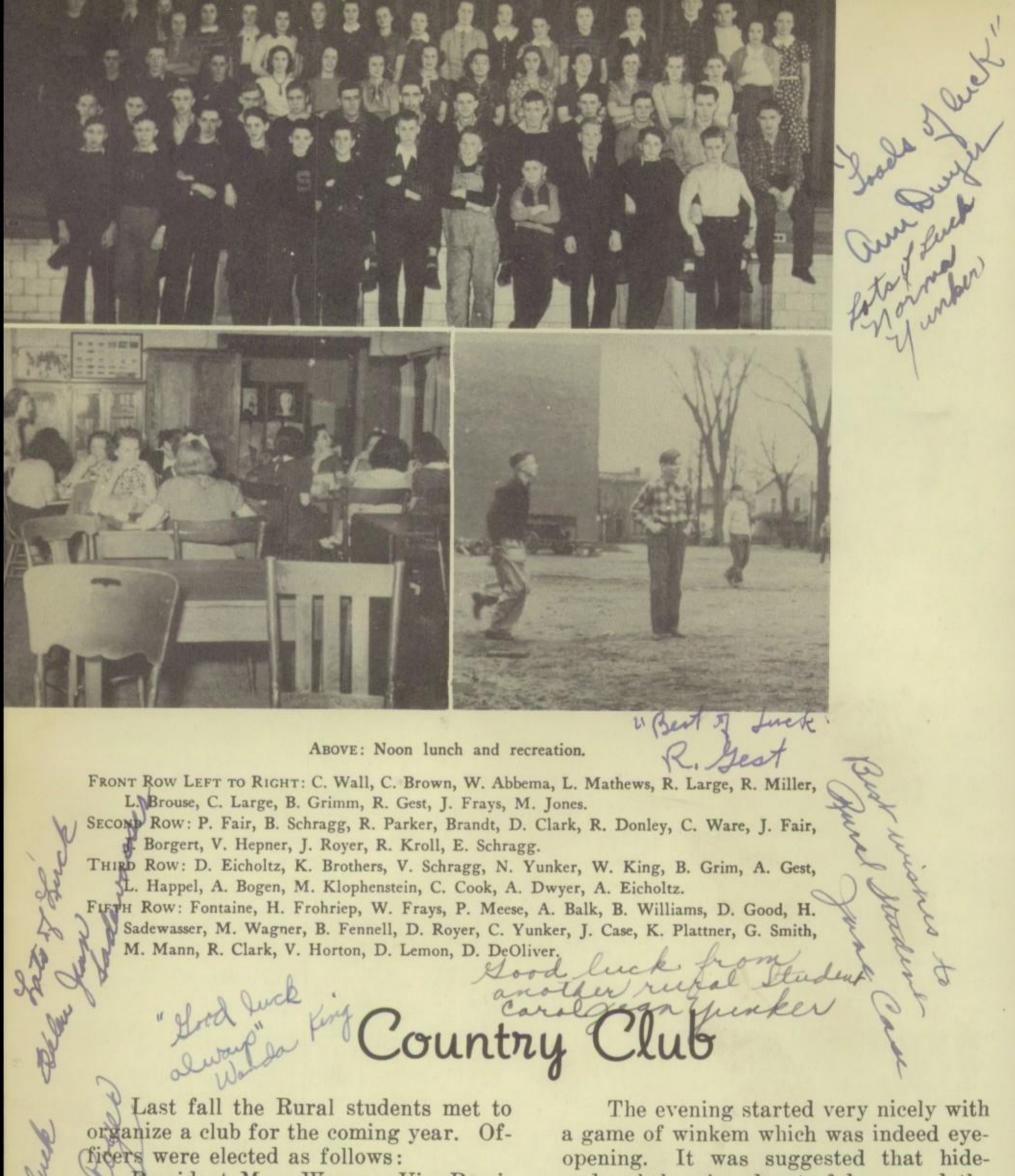
The officers for the past year have been: President, Barbara Griffeth; Vice-President, "Suds" Sumney; Secretary, Norma Pitcher; Treasurer, Robert Weirich; Club Reporter, Barbara Purdy.

RIGHT: Step right up!

FAR RIGHT: The meeting will now come to order.







President, Mary Wagner; Vice President, Edmond Schragg; Secretary, Carol Jean Yunker; Treasurer, Virgil Horton, and Mr. Grim is the club sponsor.

The program for the year included a Halloween party and skating and coastving party and several of the members invited the club to their homes for a social time.

One of the most interesting get-togethers of the rural students was a party at Snook's near Nottawa, November 17, 1939.

and-seek be played out-of-doors and the couples proceeded to hide.

Many members of the party enjoyed dancing in the barn to the music of a violin, guitar, accordian and mouth-organ.

At the close of the evening refreshments were served by the hostess, Miss Wava Snook.

A complete noon program was established and all members took part enthusiastically. The program included kick ball, volley ball, basketball, ping pong and checkers.

good Luck Wyfyture Lyfyture



ABOVE: Cows won't fool him.

GROUP:

FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Icles, H. Frohriep, C. Large, E. Shragg.
SECOND ROW: V. Shragg, Brouse, Horton, Royer, F. Borgert, R. Parker.
Third Row: Lower, Hepner, Ringler, Koehl, Hagen, J. Fair.

Sons of the Soil

The Future Farmers of Sturgis High School began the school year of 1939-40 by showing a very fine exhibit of farm crops at the Centerville County Fair in which they received an "A" rating.

A few weeks later they went to Lansing to be the guest of Michigan State College to see a very good football game. The last week of November the group went to Chicago to see the International Live Stock Show and other points of interest. These included the packing companies, zoo, Field Museum, and WGN where they spent Sunday evening listening to a concert.

The F.F.A. have held two Green Hand initiations in which ten new members have joined the organization.

The Three Rivers F.F.A. put on a Future Farmer initiation in which six

boys were promoted from Green Hands to Future Farmers.

On February the eighth the F.F.A. members brought their girl friends to the school and were entertained by seeing a picture show, "The River", and after seeing the show were taken to the agricultural room where there was entertainment and refreshments.

The F.F.A. are planning to go to Lansing to the Junior Farmers Week in May. In the summer they are planning to go on a camping trip to some northern lake in Michigan.

The officers are: President, John Royer; Vice President, Vincent Hepner; Secretary, John Fair; Treasurer, Calvin Ringler; Reporter, Virgil Horton; Watchdog, Eugene Hagen.



BELOW CORNER: Under G, No. 50.....Bingo!





Our G. A. A. has been greatly improved this year. We have had so many good times, skating, bicycling, hiking, and even swimming in March! (in a pool at Kalamazoo).

Our start to a successful year was a profitable bake-goods sale, but our big success of the year was our Penny Carnival. "Want your fortune told?" "Visit the cotton-ball throw!" Relays of blindfolded customers were taken through a locker-room funhouse; a jitterbug contest was sponsered in the Alumni Room.

A spirited initiation for eleven new members was held February 13. After a blindfolded, bare-footed walk in a huge pan of mushy, cooked macroni, and a splash of icy water on their toes, they were served flour and water sandwiches and a saucer of ginger ale. There was more—but we won't remind them of it!

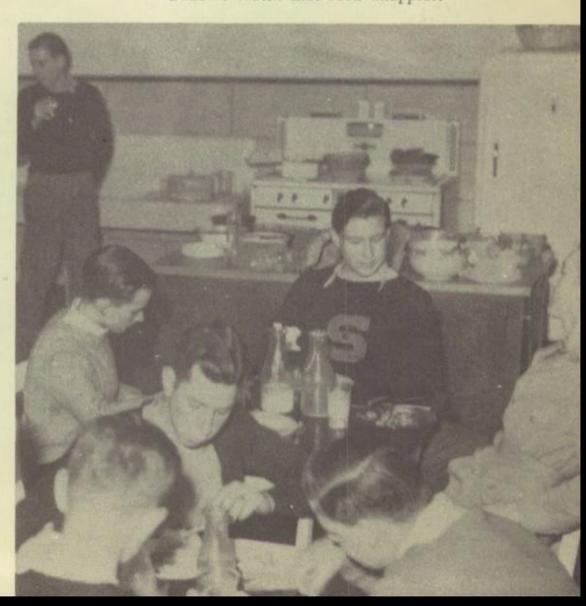


"The way to a man's heart is through his stomach." The Hi-Y Club vouch for that for they have enjoyed several pot-luck suppers the past year and did that food disappear! Brains vs. Brawn at the treasure hunt at Camp Fort Hill last June. Keith Steffee's team won by using a car instead of walking.

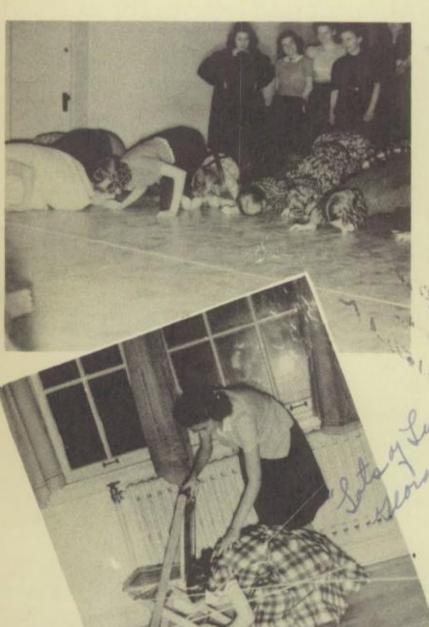
One of our outstanding activities was to send two boys to the Hi-Ho-Went-Ha Camp at Torch Lake. Four boys and Mr. DeHaven went to the Older Boys Conference last December. On several occasions the club attended church in a body.

The officers are, President, Myles Kruger; Vice President, Al Wheat; Secretary, Jim Freeland; Treasurer, "Fat" Yoder; Chaplain, Martin Bostetter.

BELOW: Watch that food disappear.









FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: King, M. Newman, J. Schmidt, Walter, Spencer, Tompkins, Gilbert, J. Baer, VanDyke, E. Jones, G. Dresser, Bell, Reed.

SECOND Row: Moon, E. Kolassa, Fenner, McKinstry, M. Namey, J. Stoeckle, Scheetz, Pitcher, June Cone, B. Purdy, C. Watson, D. Painter, Coohon.

THIRD ROW: D. Prestidge, M. Fritz, Paris, J. Lockwood, Main, Chestnut, F. Newman, Collins, A. Namey, H. Mecklenburg, V. Hudson.

FOURTH Row: Laws, L. Jones, Schroeder, Froh, Snook, Eshelman, S. Hubner, M. Weaver, B. John, M. Ulmer, Grim, Tappero, Jean Cone, Dunwiddie, Britton, M. Mecklenburg, Sourwine.

Gracious . . .

The Girl Reserve Club, a branch of the National Y.W.C.A., can still rightfully claim the honor of being the oldest club of this high school.

There have been many interesting programs this year which have been carried out successfully and thoroughly. The program for this year included initiations, interesting speakers, several dances, serving for the welfare of Sturgis and many other items.

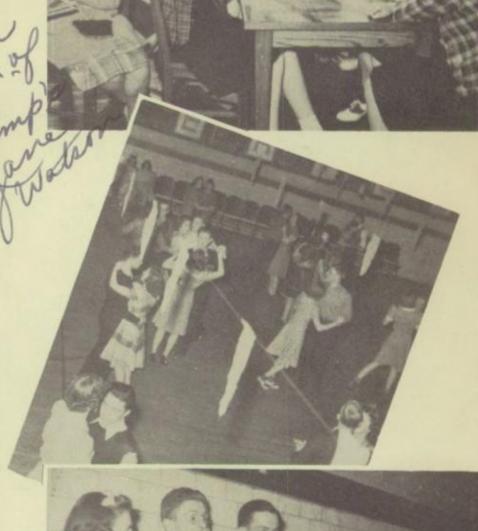
Doris Coohon and Josephine Schmidt represented the senior club at the Older Girls' Conference held in Battle Creek in February. They brought back many new topics for informal discussions.

The sponsor is Miss Stratton and the officers are: President, Ann Tompkins; Vice President, Elaine Scheetz; Secretary, Helen Mecklenburg; Treasurer, Betty Baker; Club Reporter, Loris Coohon; Music chairman, Anne Chestnut; Program chairman, Donna Painter; Service chairman, Betty Reed.



The freshman girls really came out for Girl Reserves this year. Miss Stratton gave one look at the giggling first year gals, and decided two clubs was the thing. Miss Barton was placed in charge of the new organization. Their first undertaking was a date dance given with the older club. The formal initiation was so beautiful and impressive that for once the freshman forgot to chew their gum and act nonchalant. The mothers attended and were served tea by their daughters. Later in the year the girls decided that Jackie Krumm's winning smile and Dortha Long's personality were the things to be sent to represent them at the Battle Creek Conference. The club has had numerous potlucks and friendly get-togethers throughout the year.

The officers are: President, Ruth Stratton; Vice President, Vera Roberts; Secretary, Jane Watson; Treasurer, Georgiadeane Bashore; Music chairman, Susan Seegar; Program chairman, Norma Rhodes.







Bill Slinn

FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Greshaw, B. Shinn, Strong, E. Kolasa, Rivers, Doyle, Bashore.

SECOND Row: Thomas, Kane, A. Arver, Middlestadt, Sarris, R. Scheetz, G. Petschulat, Schurtz.

THIRD ROW: Beers, Lemon, Stevens, Loomis, E. Blanchard, R. Gerardo, Walters.

FOURTH ROW: G. Smith, Hafer, Fennell, Pappas, Snook, J. Mast, J. Cone, Donbar, E. Jones.

You've gotta have a pull.



Fren artists must eat.

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Doyle

Brush Slingers

The Brush Slingers' Association (alias the Art Club of Sturgis High) sponsored by Miss Mildred Loomis, started its second year with an election of new officers. Those hooked were Eloise Jones (President), June Cone (Vice President), Al Thomas (Secretary), and Alvin Arver (Treasurer). Meetings were held in the alumni room on the second Tuesday of every month, at which various speakers gave talks related to art. The high spot of the year was a talk given by Mrs. Aloysia McLaughlin who literally swept her listeners off their chairs.

Extra club-icular activities gave the club's 30 odd members a chance to abandon their reserved selves and cut loose. Capers were first cut at a Halloween party. Their next venture into the social whirl was a skating party at the municipal rink after which Miss Loomis invited the gang to her home for refreshments. Other activities were: an annual spring trip which happened to be the Windy City's art galleries this year and sponsorship of the Annual Art Exhibit in the S.H.S. gym. AND by unusual luck the club was able to procure the Tony Sarg Marionette Troupe to display its talent locally.



FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: W. Hovarter, G. Petschulat, D. Glasgow, F. Purdy, D. Kane, Smith, Lash.

SECOND Row: T. Kane, Marshall, Kahmann, M. Wood, D. Weir, J. Jones, Renner, Bietz, Roat. Third Row: J. Lockwood, Fenner, Hershberger, Keller, Hoenecke, Main, Chestnut, Paris, E. Hecht, M. Fritz, H. Prestidge.

FOURTH ROW: B. Weirich, Souerwine, B. Pickles, Craven, Keller, Hrdina, M. Mann, G. Dresser, E. Kelley, B. Fennell, M. Commenator, M. Mecklenburg, Walters.

WE Came, WE Saw, WE?

"Veni, Vidi, Vici," (I came, I saw, I conquered)—after Caesar's victorious battle in Africa these words were sent back to Rome. "Venimus, fructi sumus, mansimus," (We came, We enjoyed, We stayed)—these were the shouts from the new Latin Club members after its first meeting.

The sound of flats and sharps and plenty of discords, from the Christmas carols the gang had translated in Latin, brought the Yuletide season in. We celebrated Christmas in honor of Saturvalia, the Roman festival taking place about the same time as Christmas.

With laural wreaths and old sheets, the gang came dressed for our final Banquet and our final meeting of the year. The kids reclined on couches and were served in Roman style.

The club is under the sponsorship of Miss Rix, the Latin teacher.

President, George Petschulat; Vice President, Elaine Hecht; Treasurer, Maurice Wood; Secretary, Terry Kane; Reporter, Pat Main. Below: Must be a joke on Caesar.

Lower Corner: Prestidge and Hecht take their turn.





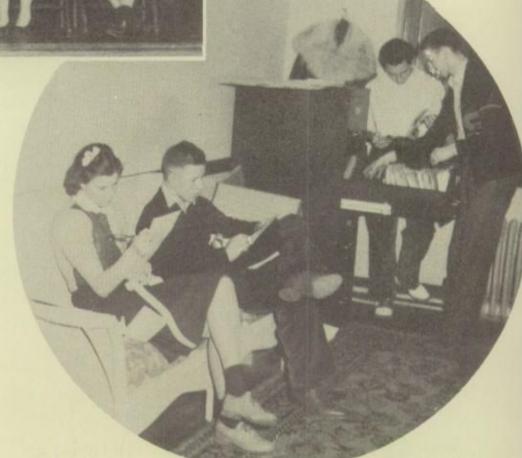


FIRST Row: Newman, Laws, VanDyke, Kolasa, Namey, Tompkins, Scheetz, Pitcher. SECOND Row: Thomas, Jones, Brumbaugh, Stoeckle, Kline.

News Flashes from all over S. H. S.

Again the Trojan has pursued the unassuming job of reporting school affairs, athletic events, and the various extra-curricular activities. Nor has this year's Trojan produced any notable achievements. It did not score a brilliant "scoop" nor did it have the opportunity to. Reporting was confined to the somewhat unsensational life in school. The issues that we attempted to raise, we realized, were trivial and far removed from the Great Outside where war, politics, policies, and personalities filled the columns of the great daily papers. The Trojan did not crusade against an evil or carry the banner of some lost but worthy cause; and its criticisms of school were only average opinions, being courteously considered by those managing school affairs, but otherwise politely ignored. And it did not attempt to interpret or report foreign affairs, state and national news, for these did not occupy the interest or energies of the students.

While the Trojan had only momentary interest to the student body as they scanned its pages, the staff and members of the journalism class took a certain pride



Make that deadline.

in their accomplishments—their stories, their art work, their write-ups, their ads—knowing that they did these themselves.

The staff was composed of: Editor, John Stoeckle; Ass't editor, Marian Gilhams; Bus. Mgr., Frank Brumbaugh; Ass't bus. Mgr., Elaine Scheetz; Sports, John Kline, Bob Blossom, Eugenia Kolasa; Humor, Rosemary Laws; Features, Ann Tompkins; Classes, Marjorie Newman; Circulation, Joseph Jones.

The reporters were: A. Britton, P. Commenator, D. Corwin, F. Easterley, C. Frye, L. Frye, B. Prestidge, M. Hartman, Eugene Kolasa, K. Toth, A. Arklie, A. Wheat, D. Huston, W. Slingerland, M. Sumney, L. Graves, B. Long, R. Molter, W. Hovarter, J. Mast, M. Namey, M. E. Donbar, P. Moon, G. Palmer, N. Pitcher, C. M. Smith, M. Ulmer, J. Van Dyke, P. Gilbert, D. Good, G. Grattan, D. Luttman, K. Steffee, E. Hagen.

Strong Bodies Make for Sound Minds

Look out for the G. C. of S. H. S. alias the Germ Chasers of Sturgis High School. You haven't heard of them? Well then, you're meeting them right now! This group of bug G-women, sponsored by Miss Vander Roest, organized to creaate an interest in Health. They have proved that they are "money-minded" too, by their January baked-goods sale, and their candy sale in April.

When it was too cold to skate here they "treeked" down to Rome City to the Skating Rink and they claimed the spills and healthy screams really were "gobs" of fun.

The last get together of the club was a snappy hike out in Sherman Hills for a hamburger fry.

Chief of the G. C. of S. H. S.; Jean Seig, is assisted by Wanda Gunthorpe, Bessie Pierson, and Betty Jorn.

Luck alway

LEFT: President Seig presiding.

BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Miss Vander Roest, Tappero, Pierson, Kulpinski, Jorn, Seig, Harker, Grisamer. FRONT Row: West, Gunthorpe, Hudson, Keeslar, Carter, Eicholtz, Beers.



"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"



Assemblies

Sturgis High School has been very fortunate this year to have many entertaining assembly programs. They have been varied so as to be of interest to all of the students.

Their subject matter ranged from "snakes" (a very popular subject with the student body) to a demonstration of the uses of electricity, which turned out to be a "shocking" experience.

Larry Tetzlaff, from Kalamazoo displayed many kinds of snakes, and, to the surprise and amazement of his audience, even "milked a rattlesnake". This "snake charmer" was so enthusiastically received that Mr. Checo from the United States Society of Zoology of Washington, D. C., was brought here to talk on snake life.

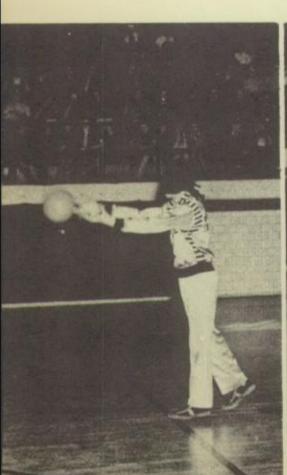
At Christmas time Mr. Pomeroy tuned up the students for the holiday season and they became broadcasting songsters, imaginary of course.

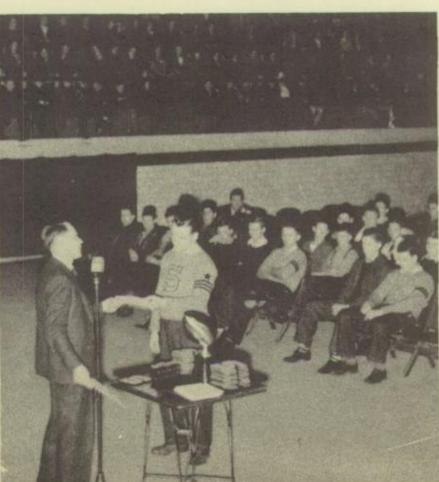
Then we learned the latest traffic laws from "Sergeant Dan" of the White Pigeon State Police Post. After this explanation of new regulations we became a traffic conscious group. (For a while anyway).

Now for our heroes! This assembly was to see the gridiron stars get their awards and praise.

A more dramatic assembly was a reading of the "Hoosier Schoolmaster" by Mr. F. E. Marshall of Indianapolis.

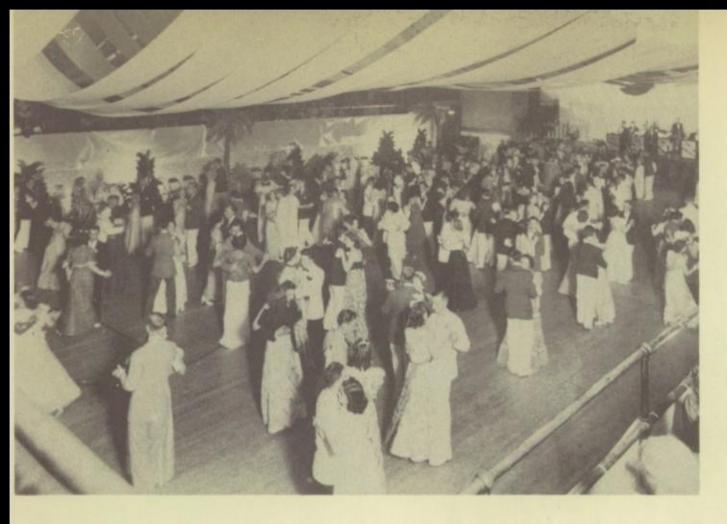
The accuracy with which Wilfred Heitzel, trick shot artist, could place the ball in the basket still puzzles many of us. We thought he had hypnotized it but then he executed a most spectacular shot, for which he went into a "blackout".





LEFT Take a bow.

FAR LEFT
And he made it!



LEFT: Stardust and rhythm.

J-Hop

On June 2, 1939, the Junior Class presented the annual spring hop in the gymnasium.

An outdoor setting was the theme of the decorations and the favors were variegated chiffon handkerchiefs and fancy hats.

Dancing was enjoyed to the music of Don Hoffman and his orchestra of Lansing. Albert Arklie, Elaine Scheetz, Chuck Miller, and Florine Sage led the grand march.

Elaine Scheetz, Joan Hecht, Ann Tompkins, Barbara Purdy, and Barbara Griffeth, with their committees helped to make this J-Hop a success. The junior class sponsors, Miss Stratton, Mr. Peck, Mr. DeHaven, and Mr. Volpel, chaperoned this "big event".

Swing Your Partner

Gingham dresses, blue denim and wisps of hay were the theme of the Sophomore dance held Friday, April 12, 1940 in the local gymnasium.

About 100 couples under Mr. Grim's expert directions learned the fundamentals of square dancing to the shouts of, "allamen left, dip the oyster, and cross the hall!"

Smokey lanterns lined the walls; old farm implements and live rabbits provided a realistic background. Alice Keller adapted her music to the mood of the setting and had several novel solos.

Terry Kane, Josephine Schmidt, Ann Chestnut, Dick Weir, and Norma Paris were on the committee in charge of the decorations.



RIGHT: Swing your partner.

And sometimes we play at work



ABOVE: Band in Chicago.

LEFT: Junior play.







Top: Standing-Jacobs, Spencer, McBride, Mecklenburg, Baker, Freeland, Eshelman, Sumney, Weaver. Sitting-Littman, Sage, Hudson.

MIDDLE: Lochinvar the lover.

LOWER: Behind the set.

the Thing"

"Bashful Bobby" was presented Nov. 30 in the high school gymnasium. The play centered around a group of high school students' visit to the estate of Mrs. Matthews.

Harry had learned how to hypnotize people and he proceeded to hypnotize Bobby, who is very bashful, to make him Lochinvar, the great lover. During this hypnotic state Bob proposes to Helen, Joan and Anne. When Harry tries to bring Bob out of it he is unable to do so. Thus, Madame Du Pont is summoned, and she is successful in bringing Bob out of it.

After the proposals were all straightened out, Helen promised to wait for Bob.

Robert Downing......Paul Littman Jim Bradley.....James Freeland Harry Collins......Fred McBride Jerry Roebuck..... Maurice Sumney Helen Norwood......Florine Sage Joan Sanford..... Betty Baker Anne Hawkins...Helen Mecklenburg Mrs. Matilda Matthews

Virginia Hudson

Miss Odessa Henworthy

Janet Eshelman Madame Du Pont....Laura Spencer Judson..... Earl Weaver

Across the Footlights

Presfield College was the scene of the play. The plot was motivated by the action of two beautiful coeds, a star-conscious athlete, a college Don Juan, a smooth orchestra leader and his fancy-diver wife, a lovable dean of men, a beloved brat, and an old-maidish dean of women, a softhearted sharptongued janitress, and a dogmatic alumnus; in fact, everything that college means to a movie-conscious public, was saved by an ingenious senior, poor dear Edgar. Robert Starring directed the play.

The cast of characters is as

follows:

Miggs......Barbara Griffeth Coky Bradford. Frank Brumbaugh Betty Carlyle.... Elaine Scheetz Ed Coleman.....Keith Steffee

Beatrice Byron

(Cholera).....Patricia Gilbert
Buggins Bates....Janet Stoeckle
Dean Thomas.....Dale Luttman
Miss Forepaugh. Beatrice Prestidge
Edgar Applethwaite. John Stoeckle
Arabella Smith.....Gwen Grattan
Diana Dana......Janet Baer
Skoozie Skillman...Robert Blossom

Dean Walton, Arthur Woodward, Alvin Arver, and Gordon Reeg were stage technicians, and Norma Pitcher acted as prompter.

Top: Here's one for the dean.

CENTER: Cholera in a trap.

LOWER: Impetuous, isn't he?





UPPER: Finale.

RIGHT: Pirate.

LOWER RIGHT: Back stage.

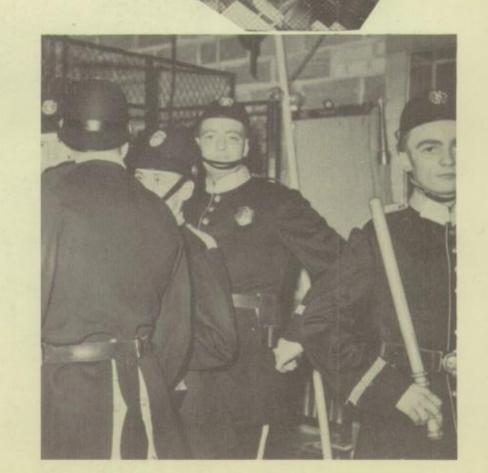
With a Smile and A Song

On February 9, the High School Glee Club presented their annual operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance," by Gilbert and Sullivan. The scene for this delightful musical comedy was laid in England during the reign of Queen Victoria. Its plot centers around the mistake of Ruth, the nursemaid, to apprentice Frederick to a pirate instead of a pilot.

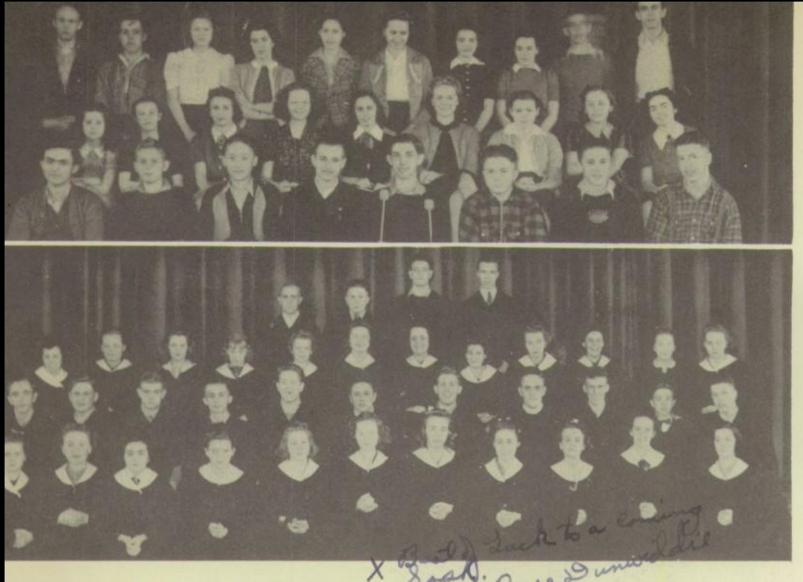
THE CAST

Richard, a pirate chief. Paul Littman Samuel, his lieutenant. Eugene Yoder Frederick.......... Dale Luttman Major-General Stanley. Kalmon Toth Edward, a Sergeant of

Police......Fred McBride
Mabel....Virginia Hudson
Ruth...Barbara Griffeth
Kate....Wanda Frays
Edith...Mary Jane Bonfiglio
Isabel...Betty Jane Bonfiglio







FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Schmidt, Kane, Mast, Kancey, Weir, Walters, Tozer, Kline.

SECOND ROW: Clark, Derr, Hoenecke, Dunwiddie Kolasa, Hecht, Wills, Walker, Mann.

Third Row: Gage, Makyes, Griffeth, J. Mast, Hubner, Coohon, Grattan, Kraushaar, Taylor.

FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Sanderson, Borgert, B. Bonfiglio, Will, Cramer, Dunwiddie, S. Hubner, Jacobs, Large, Good, Scheetz.

SECOND Row: Littman, Unger, Weaver, Wheat, B. Hudson, Tozer, McBride, Brumbaugh, J. Blossom, Jackson, Kline.

THIRD Row: Palmer, Grimm, Gerardo, Cone, Morris, V. Hudson, M. Commenator, M. Fritz, Laws, J. Lockwood, Frays, J. Hubner.

FOURTH Row: H. Dennison, Walters, Vaillancourt, Wagner.

To Thee I Sing

CHOIR:

The choir members this year began their activities with a trip to Battle Creek where they sang for the M. E. A. Towards the end of the year they participated in the Southwestern Michigan Spring Music Festival at Kalamazoo.

On April 20 the songsters went to Grand Rapids to take part in the Western Michigan Vocal Festival. Here, Sturgis was represented by three groups; the Girls' Glee Club, the Boys' Glee Club, and the Mixed A Cappella Choir. The choir was rated second division, the boys' third, and the girls' received the only first division that was given to any girls organization in the contest. This gave them the privilege of participating in the National Vocal Festival held at the capital of Illinois, Springfield.

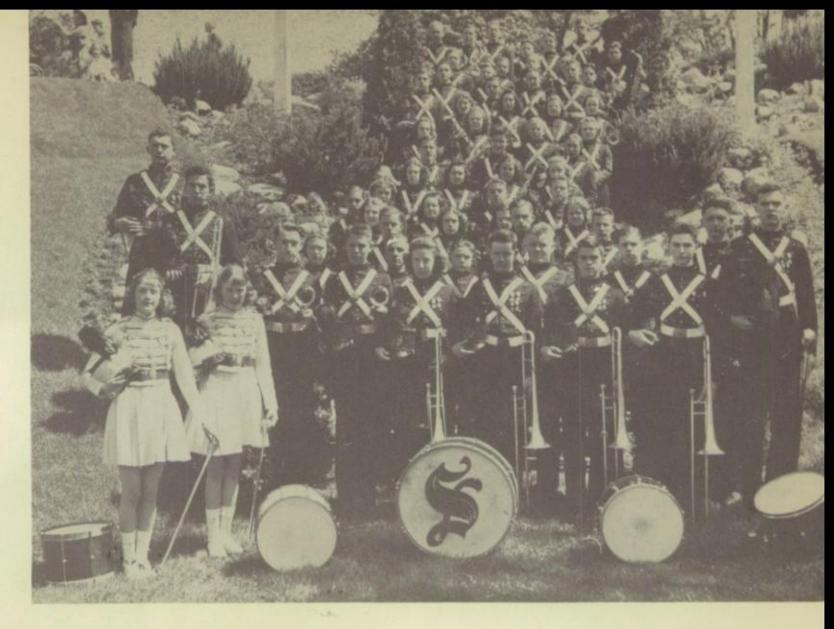
ORCHESTRA:

We believe we have had a better Orchestra this year than we've had in a long time.

They played for several different entertainments including the Junior Play, Senior Play, the Speech Class Play, and had an important place in the Concert given by the complete Music Department for the public on Wednesday, May 8.

The Orchestra went to Kalamazoo for a Music Festival on May 6, and were given a second division rating.

So many in the String Section of our Orchestra are Seniors, that there may not be an Orchestra. Some of you had better start learning to play a violin!



CLARINETS: James Smiley, Phillip Kraushaar, Theo Makyes, Marian Gilhams, Rosemary Laws, Patricia Gilbert, Paul Barnell, Joan Fenner, Janet King, Jack Kauffman, Katherine Painter, Lois Meisling, Louis Burmeister, Mary Lee Purdy, Donald Gage, Pauline Raley, Madge Wolf, Joan Lockwood, Virginia Upton, Robert Loetz, Mona Whitsel.

CORNETS: John Stoeckle, Wallace Walters, Virgil Bartold, Donald Kane, Wanda Good, Keith Lancaster, James Misner, Wallace Carls, Donald Froh.

Basses: Charles Marshall, Ted Wagner, Harry Gage.

BARITONE: Victor Howk, Francis Purdy.

TROMBONES: Richard Taylor, Fabian Wood, Robert Kauffman, Doris Coohon, Elizabeth Hafer, Tessibel Skinner.

FRENCH HORNS: Alvia Hafer, Jack Yancey, Phin Wheat, Dale Mast, Eugene Schmidt.

TENOR SAX: Robert Knox.

BARITONE SAX: Leo Bothamly.

FLUTE: Caroline Watson.

Bassoons: Allen Wheat, John Gosling.

OBOE: Eugene Yoder.

ALTO CLARINET: Robert Scheetz.

BASS CLARINET: Nubert Petschulat.

PERCUSSION: Richard Weir, Robert Lash, Richard Collins, Maurice Woods, Virgil Wittenburg.

ALTO SAX: William Long, Bud Sailors, Thelma Mikolatcher.

BATON TWIRLING: Jean Cone, June Cone.

I Love a Parade

The band is one of the oldest high school organizations. In 1930 when Mr. Phineas Wheat first took charge of the band he marched straight into the hearts of all his students. He increased the size of the band from a mere 14 members to its present membership of 65.

On April 5, the band was represented by a number of soloists who participated in the District Solo Contest in Kalamazoo. On April 6 the band returned victorious from Kalamazoo with a first division rating in the District Playing Contest.

The State Solo and Band Contest was held in Ann Arbor on April 26 and 27. Again Sturgis was well represented in the solo contest with three first divisions. The band received first division in marching and second in playing.



STANDING: M. Bell, H. Wells, M. Sumney, Weaver. SITTING: A. Harter, John Stoeckle, Littman, Roat.

Resolved That:

The Sturgis High School Forensic Squad, coached by William Bainter, started out this year with the highest of hopes for the debating season.

Three veteran speakers, Laura Spencer, Herbert Wells, and John Stoeckle made up the affirmative, and three prospective debaters, Aldon Roat, Alvia Hafer, and Paul Littman, comprised the negative team.

With three wins and one loss, this year's team was the first Sturgis team in 13 years to enter the State Elimination Series, and by doing so, won the coveted wall plaque given by the Detroit Free Press.

The other division of forensic activities in which Sturgis was represented was individual public speaking. At the local contest the Messrs. Roat, Wells, and Stoeckle garnered top honors in declamation, oration, and extemporary speaking, respectively. Entered in the Twin Valley Contest, these speakers rated one first and two second divisions.

After totaling the points earned in these divisions, debating and individual speaking, our speakers were disappointed to learn that Sturgis had lost the Twin Valley Cup by a fraction of a point to Albion.





Snoopshots

- 1. Santa's Elves.
- 2. Football Game.
- 3. Barn Dance.











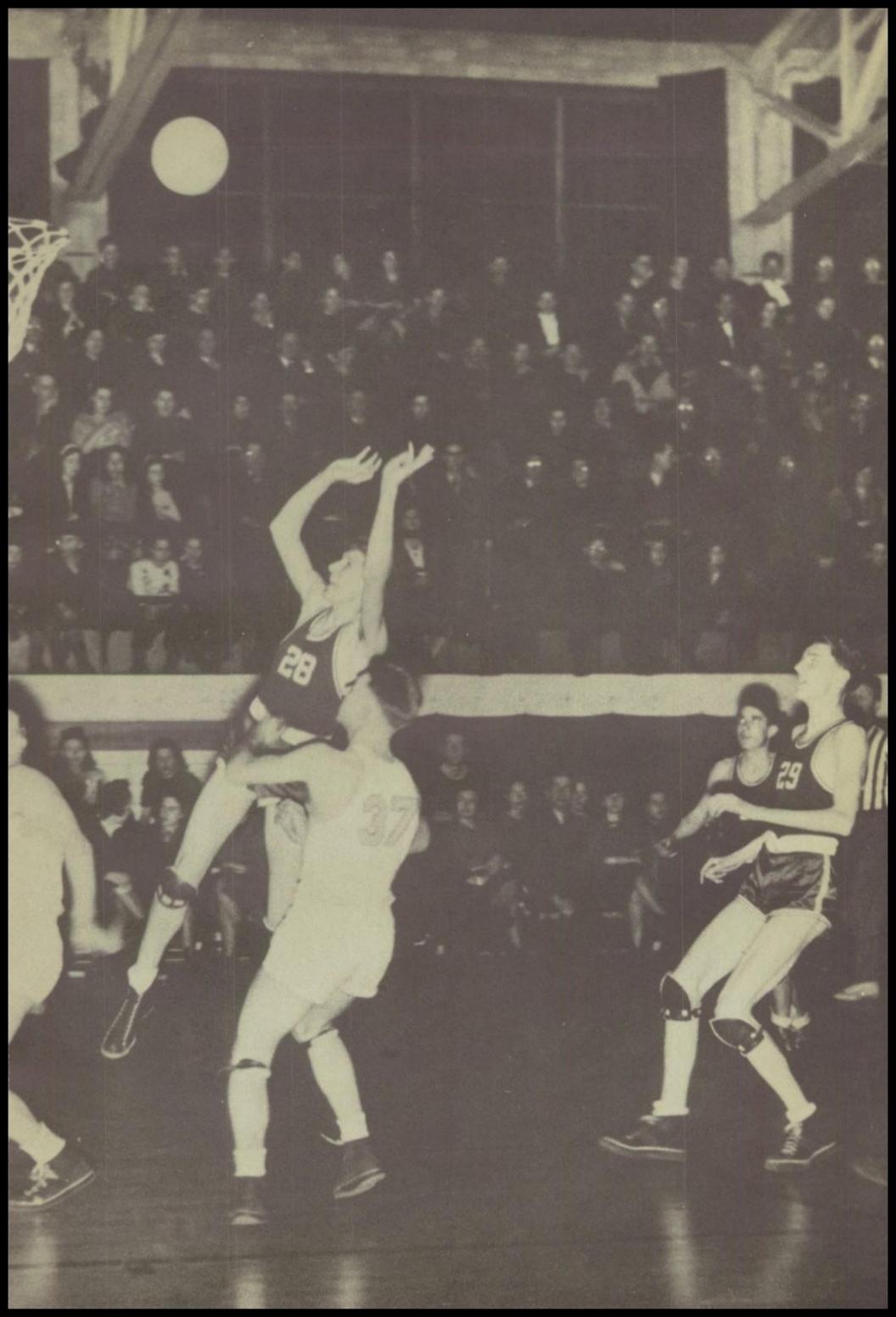
- 4. Betty Stolebarger.
- 5. Miss Bensing.
- 6. The art class works on scenery for the operetta.
- 7. Student Union Dance in Masonic Temple.

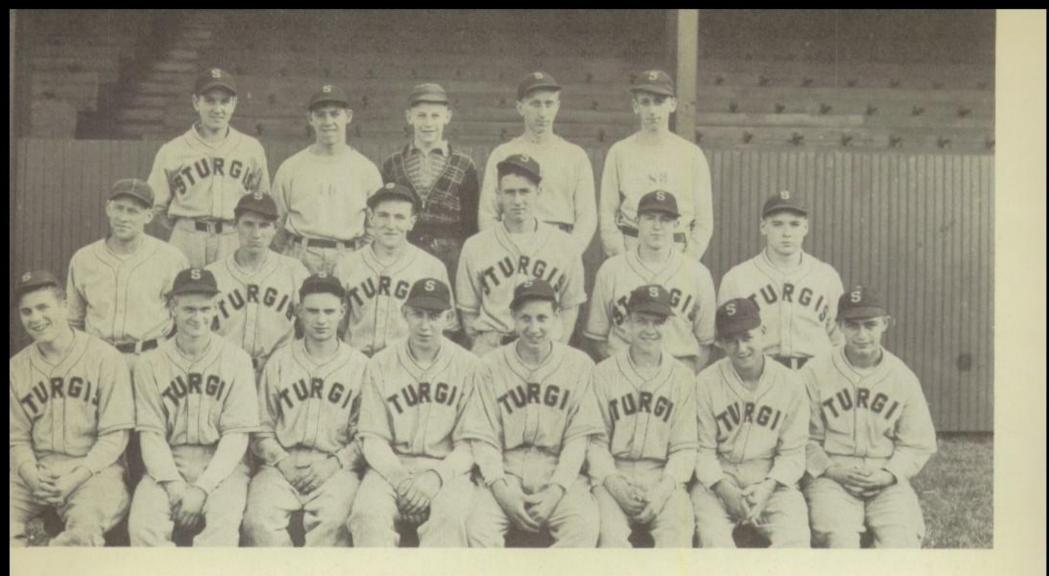
And sometimes we work at play



ABOVE: Through the hoop.

LEFT: Ware stretches.





FIRST Row: Young, Stoll, Shirley, Steinke, Hyde, Deihl, Allen, West. SECOND Row: Coach Miller, Schuler, Hill, Renner, Arklie, Steffee. Third Row: Sumney, Ellis, Bogart (bat boy), Krieder, Griffith.

Diamond Aces-1939

The Sturgis baseball team continued their winning streak last year by winning 9 and losing 2 games out of 11 games played. Out of five conference games the Trojans lost 1 game to our friendly rival Coldwater which put the Trojans in second place in the Twin Valley Conference, and gave Coldwater first place.

This was the first time since Sturgis entered the Twin Valley Conference that they hadn't been in first place in baseball.

The position on the mound was shared by Ernest Stoll and Keith Steffee with each putting on some outstanding performance. Ernest was a senior last year. Steffee, a senior this year, took his place. Coach Miller had to call on some varsity

reserve material this year for his baseball team because Steffee and Allen are the only two varsity letter winners who were back this year.

SEASON RECORDS-1939

	Californ Leadonno L. C.	
Sturgis	4 Dowagiac	0
Sturgis	5 Coldwater	7
Sturgis	6 Marshall	0
Sturgis	4 Albion	3
Sturgis	0 Coldwater	1
Sturgis	7 Howe School	1
Sturgis	7 Hillsdale	3
Sturgis	12 Adrian	0
Sturgis	14 Howe School	1
Sturgis	8 Dowagiac	4
Sturgis	1Kalamazoo (Central)	()

Aces up the Sleeve

The 1939 Sturgis Reserve Baseball team came through their baseball season very successfully, winning every game they played. This meant that there were several players who had a good chance for the 1940 Varsity squad this year. These boys were M. Sumney, M. Krieder, H. Pierucki, D. Griffith, A. Renner, A. Mitchell and A. Arklie.

Sure enough, these were the aces that Coach Miller had to pull out of his sleeve to use on the varsity this year. Krieder is playing shortstop, Pierucki in the outfield, Griffith at first base, Sumney at third base, Renner behind the plate, and Arklie helping Steffee at the mound.

As far as the season has proceeded, these boys have become very helpful in winning the first three games and putting them on top of the Twin Valley Conference.

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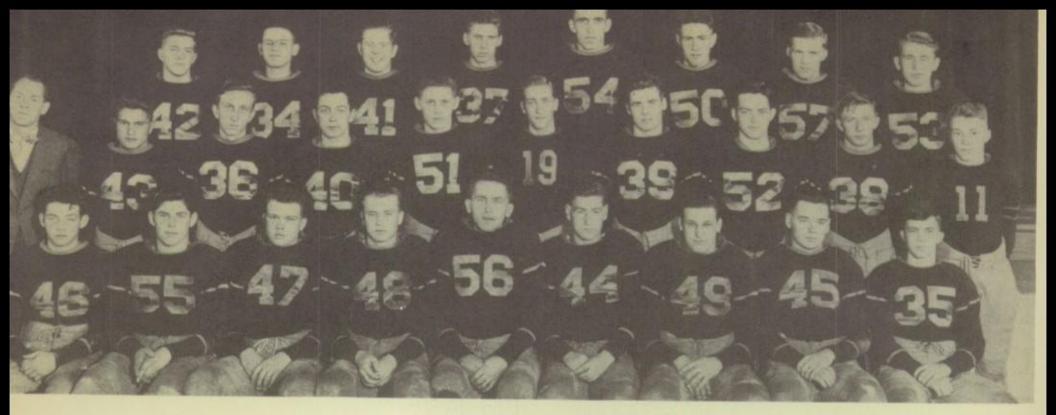
SEASON'S RECORD

Score Score Place
Sturgis 7.....Burr Oak Var. 2..Here
Sturgis 14..White Pigeon Var. 7..There
Sturgis 15..White Pigeon Var. 5..Here
Sturgis 12..Howe School Var. 9..There

FIRST Row: Blanchard, Rodgers, Richmond, Parker, Beckwith, Mitchell, Commenator, Kline.

SECOND Row: Coach Krueger, Quirin, Kuhl, Reeg, Pierucki, Kolasa, Rhoades.
Third Row: Petschulat, Icles, Wolverton, E. Schragg, Magnus, V. Schragg.





FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: K. Gunthorpe, T. Roberts, E. Hagen, W. Koehl, A. Kruger, A. Mitchell, D. Wittenburg, K. Steffee, and R. Kauffman.

SECOND Row: R. Miller (Coach), E. Schragg, L. Krieder, R. Kelso, M. Kruger, E. Kolasa, R. Blossom, R. Commenator, J. Royer, and C. Large.

THIRD Row: A. Arklie, J. Fair, W. Hudson, J. Blossom, C. Ware, A. Renner, W. Beckwith, and J. Houck.

Gridiron Heroes

The two determining games for the Sturgis Trojans were Albion and Coldwater.

In the Albion game Sturgis got off a long high kick which put Albion deep into their own territory. The Trojans' break of the ball game came in the first play when Albion's fullback fumbled his chance to kick. Bill Koehl, center, rushed through the line and downed the ball for a touchdown. Keith Steffee's dropkick was good, making the score 7 to 0. Later in the game Albion scored but was unsuccessful in making the extra point and the game ended 7 to 6.

The Coldwater game was the most important game of the season for if the Trojans could have won, it would have given Sturgis a clear title to first place in the Twin Valley Conference.

Coldwater took advantage of a blocked kick and scored a touchdown on a pass forty seconds before the end of the first half. Had the Trojans kept the Cardinals from scoring the game would have ended in a 0 to 0 tie with Sturgis sharing the T.V.C. title with Albion.

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SEASON RECORD

Score	Score
Goshen 6	Sturgis26
St. Augustine 12	Sturgis 0
Adrian 0	Sturgis39
East Lansing 0	Sturgis 6
Marshall 7	Sturgis18
Albion 6	Sturgis 7
Three Rivers. 6	Sturgis 7
Coldwater 6	Sturgis 0
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Total43	Total103

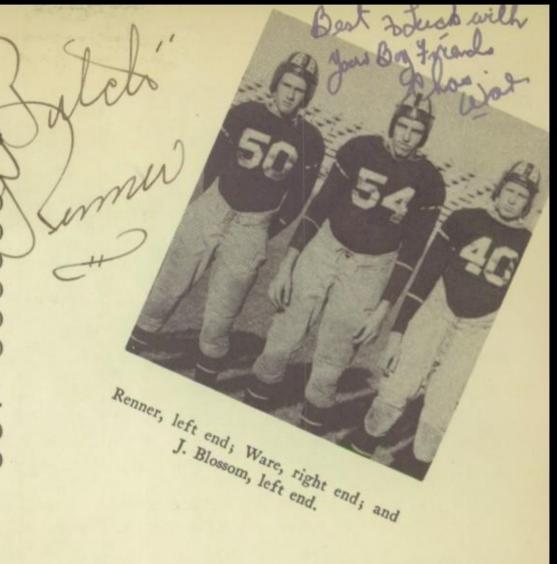
VARSITY FOOTBALL

Twin Valley	Conference Fina	al Star	ndings
Team			Pet
a.		4	ona

Sturgis4	1	.800
Albion4	1	.800
East Lansing3	2	.600
Coldwater2	3	.400
Adrian2	3	.400
Marshall 0	5	000

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sturgis	 6	2	.750
Opponents	 2	6	.250

	0
(A)	57



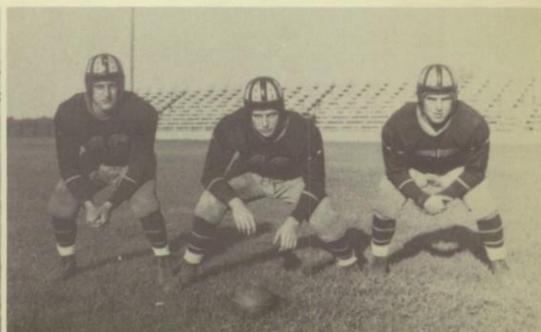
Special Honor

E. Hagen, K. Steffee, and C. Ware were chosen on the first squad of the T.V.C. Those chosen on the second team were: B. Koehl, D. Wittenburg, A. Kruger. Sturgis' one representative on the Southwestern Michigan squad was E. Hagen.

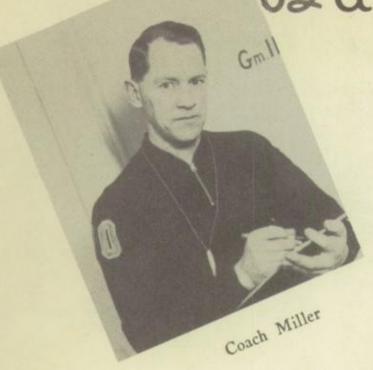
LOWER LEFT: Kauffman, quarterback; Gunthorpe, full-back; Mitchell, right halfback; Steffee, left half-back.

LOWER RIGHT: Wittenburg, right guard; Koehl, center; Roberts, left guard.





Basketball



Varsity

Sturgis dropped two close and important games that were real "heart-breakers"; one to Adrian, the other to Albion.

With four seconds left to play in the Adrian game, and Sturgis leading 24-22, the little Fox from Adrian sunk a long one from the middle of the court to tie the score. Halfway into the three minute overtime period, Fox arched another long

one through the net. Sturgis tried desperately but failed to score. That night Sturgis missed fifteen consecutive free throws. Adrian made eight out of fifteen.

In the Albion game, Sturgis spotted the Wild Cats a ten point handicap at the very start of the game. It was fortunate for Albion that the game ended when it did, for the Wild Cats were very weary and the Trojans were swinging into action. This game lost Sturgis a share in the T.V.C. basketball title.

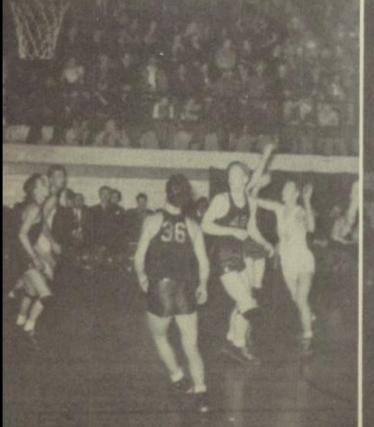
The competition in the Twin Valley Conference is getting stronger each year. This year the teams ran an especially close race. Four teams were tied for first place with one game remaining to be played on each team's schedule.

The four teams that tied for first place were Sturgis, Albion, Adrian, and Coldwater. With Sturgis being defeated by Albion, Coldwater beating Hillsdale, and Marshall beating Adrian, it left Albion and Coldwater tied for first place and Sturgis, Marshall, and Adrian tied for second place.

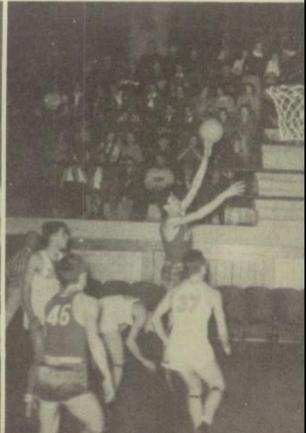
Allen shoots-Ware follows up.

Coldwater game.

Albion starts fast.









FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Allen, Blossom, Renner, Ware, Donley, Koehl. BACK Row: Krieder, Beckwith, Kruger, Kline, Wittenberg.

Coach Miller will have all but two of his regular players back next year. Renner, Allen, and Ware will be back, and Mitchell, who showed up very well in the last game of the season, will probably be called upon to take over one of the other positions.

The Trojans won the district tournament from Three Rivers, but lost to St. Joe in the St. Joe regional tournament.

SEASON RECORD

Sturgis	28St. Augustine	23
Sturgis	18 Marshall	21
Sturgis	34Three Rivers	21
Sturgis	24 Hillsdale	37
Sturgis	15 Adrian	22
Sturgis	22St. Joe	27
Sturgis	31 Coldwater	30
Sturgia	99 Albion	-20

Sturgis	35 Marshall	25
	33 Hillsdale	
Sturgis	38 Three Rivers	16
Sturgis	24 Adrian	26
Sturgis	27 Coldwater	19
Sturgis	26 Albion	28

TOURNAMENT STANDINGS IN BASKETBALL DISTRICT

Sturgis 29...... Three Rivers 28

REGIONALS

Sturgis 31......St. Joe 38

TWIN VALLEY CONFERENCE STANDINGS

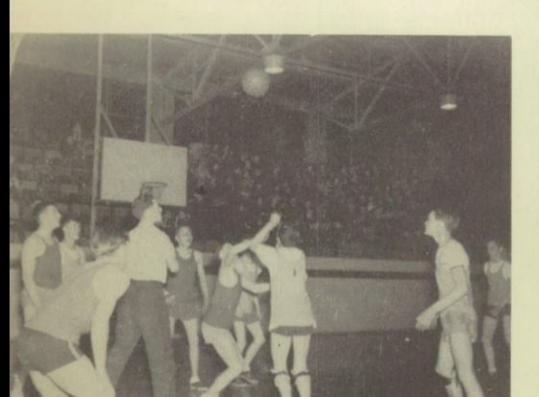
	Won	Lost	Pet.
Albion	6	4	.600
Coldwater	.6	4	.600
Sturgis	.5	5	.500
Adrian	.5	5	.500
Marshall	.5	5	.500
Hillsdale	.3	7	.300

Boys Intramurals

UPPER: Senior High Basketball.

MIDDLE: Chinese Socker.

LOWER: Volley Ball.







a Sport for ...

Fall Sports

Touch Football—The season started with a large turnout for touch football. After a spirited struggle, two teams were ready to battle for the championship. Iowa was captained by G. Allen. His teammates were R. Weirich, F. Middlestadt, L. Wolverton, P. Rhoads, F. Purdy, V. Schragg, V. Palmer, and L. Lemp. Their opponent was Purdue, captained by J. Kline. M. Sumney, R. Rosine, E. Kolasa, B. Kuhl, D. Eicholtz, R. Hire, K. Patrick, R. Miller made up the team. Iowa won by 6 points. Near the end of the game Weirich passed to Allen for a touchdown ending the game, Iowa 13, Purdue 7.

Horseshoes — Another outstanding sport in the fall was horseshoes. The play-off resulted in a championship for Quirin, with A. Moss as runner-up of the Senior High. The championship in Jr. High division was won by D. Tuttle; runner-up, H. Wygant.

Intramural Round-Up

Over 275 boys were active in basket-ball, volley ball, and Chinese soccer games, ping pong, wrestling, twenty-one and free throw during the winter months of intramurals. Each spring the gymnasium is turned over to the intramural division for two evenings. At this time the finals are played off in all games and matches before a large and enthusiastic audience of sport fans. This year Mr. Banet brought in two Western State Teachers College boxers as an added attraction.

PING Pong—The ping pong event ended in a family affair. The titles were won by the Vogt brothers. Jack beat F.

Boys Intramurals

. Every Boy

Middlestadt for the Senior High championship; Jerry won from J. Bogart in the Junior High division.

Wrestling—The wrestling matches were staged by Coach Paul Krueger's grappling team with no set decisions. Previous to this time the mat-men traveled to Ann Arbor to enter into competition with some of the state's best. Considering their inexperience they showed up well. E. Hagen won a third place; C. Large won one match and lost one. R. Bryie, F. Borgert, and V. Reeg lost their first matches. Give the boys a little more experience and they will be hard to hold down.

Volleyball—Tulane, captained by E. Schragg, with the score of 36-21, defeated Rice, led by Captain A. Kruger for the Volleyball crown in the High School.

TWENTY-ONE—In the free throwing tournament and the twenty-one tournament there was very stiff competition. In the Junior High division J. Bogart defeated J. Reed for the crown in "21". In Senior High "21" A. Moss defeated R. Weirich.

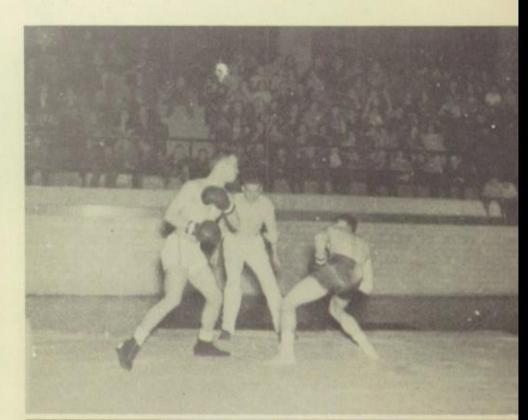
FREE THROWING EVENT—C. Ammerman downed G. Knowles 12-11 in the Junior High division. For Senior High Maurice Sumney won by the score of 17-2.

In Basketball, the main feature of the evening, the Junior High School League title was captured by Oregon, captained by G. Blasius. Stanford, Captain G. Knowles, was runner up.

In Senior High School Class B League, Adrian, captained by D. Fritz, defeated East Lansing, Captained by V. Reeg, to the tune of 9-5. In Senior High Class-A Basketball, Ohio State defeated Iowa 14-11.

UPPER: A Kalamazoo Special.

MIDDLE: Dale Clark and Richard Bryie. LOWER: Frank Ecker and Vernon Reeg.







Grace and . . .

Round Robin tournaments were held in all girls' sports, and the games were played after school.

FIELDBALL-

Approximately 60 girls from the seventh to the twelfth grades came out for Fieldball. The 11th and 12th grades had a combined team and it was this team that won the tournament. Fieldball is a game that was introduced just this year in this school. The team is made up of 11 people. The game is very similar to hocky with the exception that the ball is passed or thrown instead of being kicked.

BASKETBALL-

This sport was divided into two leagues and each grade with the exception

of the 8th and the 12th grades had two teams. The winner of each league played each other for the championship. These two teams were 10-1 and the 12th grade and the 12th grade team won with a score of 37 to 11. About fifty girls came out for this sport.

VOLLEYBALL-

Approximately 45 girls came out for Volleyball. The Seniors won the championship. Three games were going on at the same time and each set of teams played two rounds. An even better response is expected in this particular sport next year.

FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Cone, L. Jones, Cone, E. Scheetz, Brown, Bashore, Adams.

SECOND Row: Behnke, Good, Mast, Sutton, Hill, Ware.

THIRD Row: Sheeler, Bell, Downing,

Field Ball.





. Vitality

SOFTBALL-

This sport is played late in the spring after this publication goes to press but it is almost certain to be the most popular game of the year.

TENNIS-

These classes are being held now. At the last week of school, the tournaments are to be played. It is hoped that next year the girls will be able to have a school team to play inter-school teams. Skill tests will be given for all those who are interested in competing in intramural tournaments, and the fifteen highest will make up the school team. Approximately sixty girls came out for tennis.

UPPER CORNER: Ping-Pong.

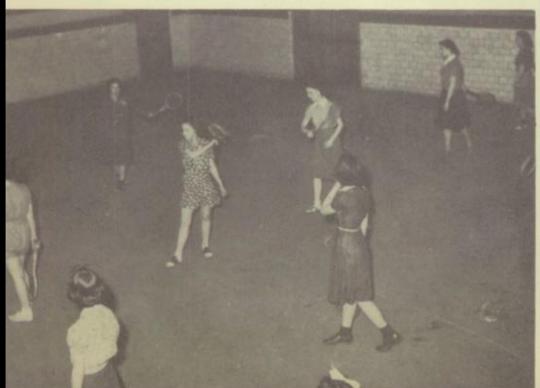
RIGHT: Basketball Champs.

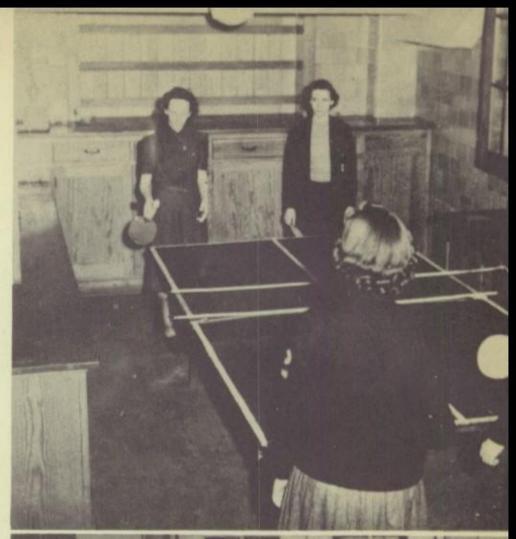
FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Cone, Cone, L. Jones, Ware.

SECOND Row: Good, Mast, Scheetz.

LOWER CORNER: Fenner takes a dive.

Below: Tennis Practice.











Jim Kerchner and Keith Yoder, medal winners.

Love-Set

Here's a sport that should attract many more boys. If you have the idea that tennis is a sissy's game, play three sets with any of these boys under a boiling sun sometime. Unless you're a man, you won't be able to take it.

The 1939 tennis squad under the supervision of Coach Gordon Schilz exhibited a fine game of tennis. Varsity "S's" went to J. Kerchner, K. Yoder, C. Miller, F. Middlestadt, W. Mingus, R. Leestma. Reserve "S" to W. Hagerman, R. Scheetz, J. Stoeckle, V. Bartold, E. Wright, B. Kauffman.

With the return of such good prospects in 1940, Coach Schilz is looking forward to a successful year.

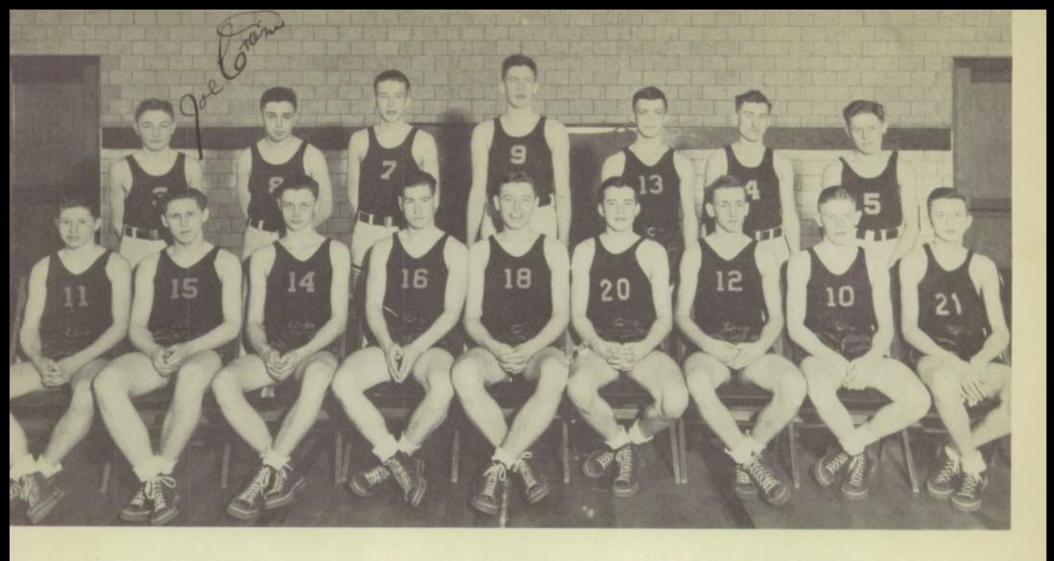
Sturgis placed 2nd in the Regional Tournament at Dowagiac and 3rd in the Twin Valley Tournament at Adrian.

Jim Kerchner and Keith Yoder placed 1st in the Twin Valley doubles tournament and also in the regionals. They were eliminated in the state semi-finals in Ann Arbor.

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TENNIS SCHEDULE 1939

Sturgis	3 Howe School	4
Sturgis	2 Coldwater	5
Sturgis	3 Hillsdale	4
Sturgis	3State High	4
Sturgis	5 Howe School	3
Sturgis	1 Coldwater	6
Sturgis	4 Dowagiac	3
Sturgis	6 LaGrange	2
Sturgis	5 Elkhart	2
Sturgis	6. LaGrance	1



FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: G. Petschulat, M. Kruger, V. Wittenberg, A. Mitchell, M. Wood, H. Pierucki, D. Griffith, W. Mingus, R. Leestma.

BACK Row: J. Crain, M. Kirkpatrick, W. Deagen, F. Jorn, R. Kauffman, C. Shirley, C. Haack.

Reserve Basketball

The Varsity Reserve Basketball squad had a very successful year, winning 10 games and losing 4. There are some very good prospects for the varsity next year. Some of them are: Alvin Mitchell, Wallace Mingus, Dale Griffith, Harold Pierucki, Maurice Wood and George Petschulat.

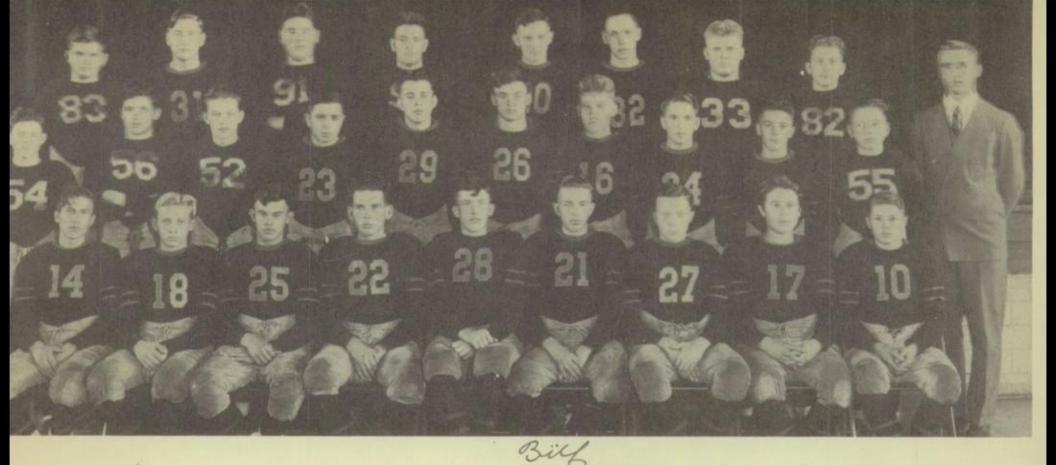
The reserve power consists of two teams, a sophomore team composed of Mitchell, Mingus, Griffith, Pierucki and Wood, and a freshman team. The reserve team was like the varsity this year in the fact that in every game it took them at least one quarter to get started. They would start weak and end strong, but usually overcoming, as the scores will show, the bad start.

With the players that will come up from the reserves and the players back from the varsity this year, the Trojans ought to have a very good team for 1941.



SEASON'S RECORD

	Score	S	core
Sturgis	22	St. Augustine	29
Sturgis	9	Marshall	26
Sturgis	25	Three Rivers	15
Sturgis	23	Hillsdale	19
Sturgis	25	Adrian	15
Sturgis	24	St. Joe	25
Sturgis	42	Coldwater	32
Sturgis	26	Albion	13
Sturgis	28	Marshall	24
Sturgis	51	Hillsdale	29
Sturgis	41	Three Rivers	32
Sturgis	19	Adrian	33
Sturgis	27	Coldwater	55
Sturgis	35	Albion	10



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Sturgis Total .. 22

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: R. Bryie, H. Loetz, C. Marshall, R. Stevens, F. Johrn, W. Deagen, L. Graves, C. Schurtz, and G. Petschulat.

SECOND Row: D. Fritz, R. Hire, V. Reeg, M. Kirkpatrick, H. Pierucki, H. Blanchard, P. Rhoads, R. Rosine, R. Large, F. Purdy and H. Banet (Coach).

BACK Row: R. Beitz, L. Bothamly, J. Slack, E. Vaillancourt, G. Ecker, M. Bostetter, V. Bartold, and L. Wolverton.

ABSENT FROM PICTURES: D. Griffith, V. Hambright, and N. Hart.

RESERVE Power

Score Sturgis Reserves...2 White Pigeon Varsity...13 Sturgis Reserves...0 Constantine Varsity....20 Sturgis Reserves...0 Sturgis Reserves...6 White Pigeon Varsity...0 Sturgis Reserves...0 Three Rivers Reserves...12 Sturgis Reserves...14 Coldwater Reserves....2

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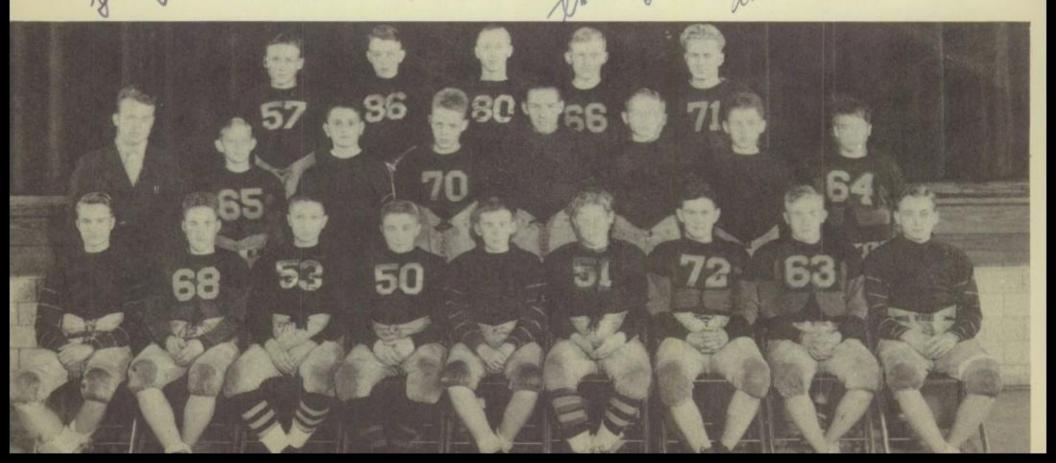
SEASON	's RE	CORD			
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Sturgis Midgets	\h.	0	1	1	.000
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FIRST ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: N. Taylor, V. Schragg, W. Douglas, J. Crain, D. Picker, C. Haack, E. Ecker, C. Brown and R. Gilbert.

SECOND Row: P. Krueger (Coach), R. Newman, R. Scheetz, N. Pierson, H. Magnus, P. Fair, R. Davidson, and R. Strang.

HIRD Row: R. Stetler, B. Kuhl, B. McLaughlin, J. Brandt, and A. DeFord.

BSENT FROM PICTURE: K. Toth, and T. Van Buren.



Sports Honor Roll

Baseball

VARSITY "S":

Roy Deihl, Walter Young, William West, Ernest Stoll, Ellsworth Hyde, Eryl Shirley, Wilbur Steinke, Keith Steffee, George Allen, Wilson Schuster.

RESERVE "S":

Ben Hill, Joe Dobberteen, Eugene Kolasa, Albert Arklie, Kenneth Parker, Dale Griffith, Lloyd Krieder, Walter Beckwith, Huston Blanchard, Maurice Sumney, Harold Pierucki, Eugene Richmond, Edmond Schragg, Earl Ellis, Alvin Mitchell, Arthur Renner.

SERVICE AWARDS:

John Kline, Gordon Reeg, Jim Rodgers, Philip Rhoads, John Quirin, Bernard Kuhl, Lewis Wolverton, Donald Eicholtz, George Petschulat, Robert Schragg, Harold Magnus.

Managers Awards:

Don Lemp, Joe Bogart.

Football

VARSITY "S":

Keith Steffee, Bill Koehl, Kenneth Gunthorpe, Eugene Hagen, Albert Kruger, Truman Roberts, Don Wittenberg, Albert Arklie, Bob Blossom, Ralph Commenator, John Fair, Bill Hudson, Clair Large, John Royer, Walter Beckwith, Charles Ware, Jim Blossom, Lloyd Krieder, Earl Ellis, Alvin Mitchell, Arthur Renner.

RESERVE "S":

Eugene Kolasa, Huston Blanchard, George Ecker, Bob Kelso, Myles Kruger, Harold Pierucki, Edmund Schragg, Robert Stevens, Virgil Bartold, Dale Griffifth, Luther Graves, Neal Hart, Philip Rhoads, Leo Bothamly, Richard Bryie, Virgil Hambright, Jim Houck, Charles Marshall, Carl Schurtz, Raymond Rosine, Martin Bostetter, Richard Large, Hans Loetz.

SERVICE AWARDS:

Vernon Reeg, Tracy Van Buren, Lewis Wolverton, Bill Douglas, Richard Beitz, Paul Fair, Dillon Fritz, Robert Gilbert, Richard Hire, Charles Haack, Francis Purdy, Richard Newman, Frank Ecker, Don Picker, Donald Eicholtz, Norman Pierson, Bernard Kuhl, Robert Scheetz, Harold Magnus, Raymond Strang, Bernard McLauchlin, Jack Slack, Kalmon Toth, Fred Jorn, Joe Crain, Arthur DeFord, Victor Schragg, Ernest Vaillancourt, James Brandt, Charles Brown, Richard Davidson, Roy Stetler.

Managers Awards:

Jim Rodgers, Charles Arver.

Basketball

VARSITY "S":

George Allen, Robert Donley, William Koehl, Donald Wittenberg, Charles Ware, Lloyd Krieder, Walter Beckwith, Albert Kruger, John Kline, Arthur Renner, James Blossom.

RESERVE "S":

Robert Kauffman, Dale Griffith, Lloyd Richcreek, Myles Kruger, Harold Pierucki, Alvin Mitchell, Wallace Mingus, Richard Leestma, Maurice Wood, George Petschulat.

SERVICE AWARDS:

Cecil Shirley, Carl Schurtz, Joe Crain, Bill Deagen, Virgil Wittenburg, Miles Kirkpatrick, Charles Haack.

Tennis

VARSITY "S":

Jim Kerchner, Keith Yoder, Charles Miller, Fred Middlestadt, Wallace Mingus, Richard Leestma.

RESERVE "S":

Bill Hagerman, Roger Scheetz, John Stoeckle, Virgil Bartold, Eugene Wright, Bob Kauffman.

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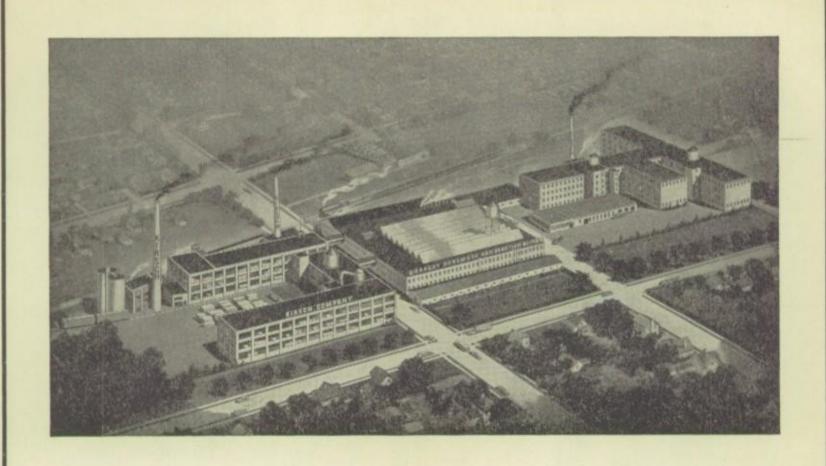
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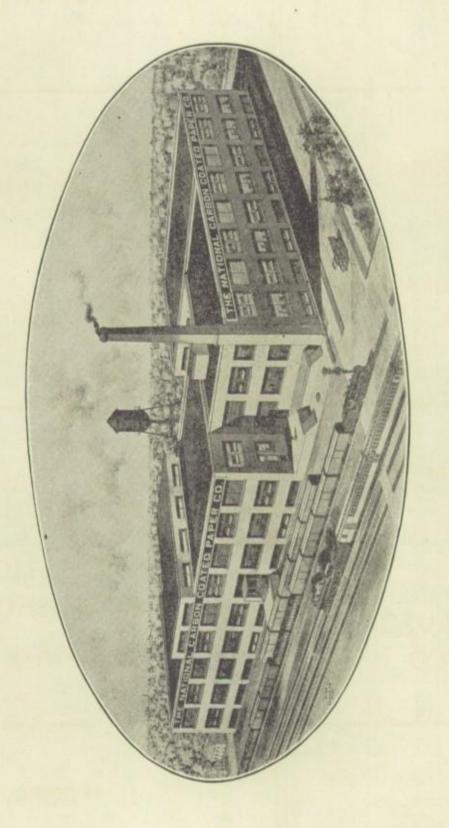
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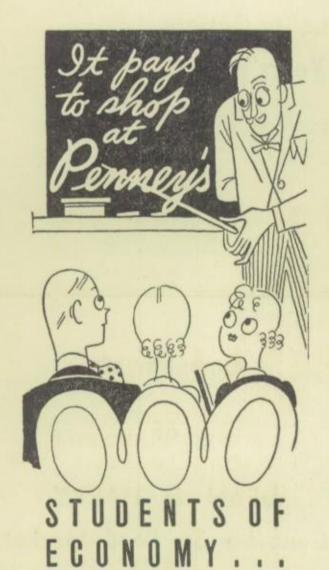
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